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In the Contents, page one, page numbers of series containing seasonally adjusted indicators are marked with asterisks.

Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting these and other series are given in *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1969*, issued by this Bureau in May 1969, which contains original and seasonally adjusted data in tabular and graphical form for eighty-three selected series. The seasonally adjusted indicators included therein are up-dated in relevant monthly and quarterly publications of this Bureau.

As well as being adjusted for normal seasonal factors, some of the statistical series included in the Review have been adjusted for the effects of some calendar irregularities, namely: 'trading-day' effects (arising from the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc. in the month) and the influence of moveable holidays, i.e., Easter and Australia Day. The adjustments made to each series are indicated in Appendix B of *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1969*.

For explanatory matter on seasonal adjustment of National Accounts see the supplement to the December Quarter 1967 issue of *Quarterly Estimates of National Income and Expenditure*

GRAPHS

The *Digest of Current Economic Statistics*, published monthly by this Bureau, contains in tabular and graphical form a selection of the more important series included in this publication.

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POPULATION

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Date	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia
30 June — 1960	3,832.5	2,857.4	1,495.9	945.3	722.1	343.9	25.6	52.4	10,275.0
1961(a)(b)	3,918.5	2,930.4	1,527.5	971.5	(c)746.8	350.3	(c)44.5	58.8	c10,548.3
1962(d)	3,986.9	2,983.1	1,551.0	987.5	766.0	355.7	46.0	66.2	10,742.3
1963	4,050.0	3,040.8	1,577.9	1,010.7	788.3	360.7	48.5	(e)73.4	10,950.4
1964	4,107.9	3,105.5	1,610.7	1,038.0	808.4	364.3	51.5	(e)80.3	11,166.7
1965	4,175.4	3,164.4	1,644.5	1,067.6	825.5	367.9	53.9	(e)88.5	11,387.7
1966(b)	4,237.9	3,220.2	1,674.3	1,095.0	848.1	371.4	56.5	96.0	11,599.5
1967	4,306.9	3,274.4	1,701.6	1,111.5	876.4	376.4	59.3	(e)103.6	11,810.2
1968	4,381.4	3,323.4	1,732.3	1,125.2	909.4	382.0	64.3	112.8	12,030.8
1969p	4,474.6	3,384.1	1,768.0	1,144.4	945.6	388.5	68.0	(e)122.0	12,295.3

(a) Excludes full-blood Aborigines prior to 30 June 1961. (b) Population at Census date. The difference between the statistics as here published and those shown in Census publications, which exclude full-blood Aborigines, cannot be taken as reliable statistics of the full-blood Aboriginal population. (c) Includes an estimate for full-blood Aborigines out of contact at the Census. (d) State population estimates from 30 September 1961 have been prepared by a new method (for explanation see Summary of Vital and Population Statistics, page 2). (e) Based on Population Count of Canberra.

VITAL AND POPULATION STATISTICS, AUSTRALIA

Period	Marriage registrations (a)	Birth registrations (a)	Death registrations (a)	Natural increase (a)(b)	Net overseas migration gain(c)	Population(d)—	
						Increase (e)	At end of period
Quarterly average						('000)	('000)
1959-60	18,859	57,157	22,056	35,101	19,779	54.6	10,275.0
1960-61	19,091	59,459	22,199	37,260	21,297	58.3	(f)(g)10,548.3
1961-62	19,393	59,611	22,480	37,131	12,103	48.5	10,742.3
1962-63	20,180	58,660	23,309	35,351	17,431	52.0	10,950.4
1963-64	20,610	58,138	24,425	33,713	21,102	54.1	11,166.7
1964-65	22,570	56,018	25,156	30,862	25,139	55.2	11,387.7
1965-66	23,781	55,638	25,175	30,463	23,097	53.0	(f)11,599.5
1966-67	24,496	57,052	26,307	30,745	21,844	52.7	11,810.2
1967-68	25,628	57,991	26,167	31,824	23,340	55.2	12,030.8
1968-69				p34,505	31,606	p66.1	p12,295.3
Quarterly total							
1965-66—							
June	25,008	55,044	24,899	30,145	6,045	36.0	(f)11,599.5
1966-67—							
September	20,476	56,298	31,740	24,558	21,429	46.1	11,645.6
December	25,701	56,492	25,018	31,474	33,115	64.8	11,710.4
March	27,058	57,405	23,010	34,395	28,145	62.5	11,772.9
June	24,749	58,012	25,458	32,554	4,684	37.2	11,810.2
1967-68—							
September	21,428	57,579	29,559	28,020	26,225	54.2	11,864.4
December	26,765	56,300	24,676	31,624	32,855	64.5	11,928.9
March	27,303	58,117	24,253	33,864	28,034	61.9	11,990.8
June	27,013	59,964	26,180	33,784	6,244	40.0	12,030.8
1968-69—							
September	23,244	61,619	33,329	28,290	40,032	68.3	12,099.1
December	28,785	61,206	25,787	35,419	38,743	74.2	12,173.3
March	28,946	61,072	23,406	37,666	36,538	74.2	12,247.5
June				p36,645	11,112	p47.8	p12,295.3

(a) Excludes particulars of full-blood Aborigines prior to 1 January 1967. (b) Excess of births registered over deaths registered. (c) Excess of recorded overseas arrivals over recorded overseas departures. (d) Excludes full-blood Aborigines prior to 30 June 1961. (e) Increase consists of natural increase, net overseas migration gain and an adjustment to make the series of increases agree with the total intercal increase revealed by successive censuses. (f) Population at Census date. The difference between the statistics as here published and those shown in Census publications, which exclude full-blood Aborigines, cannot be taken as reliable statistics of the full-blood Aboriginal population. (g) Includes an estimate for full-blood Aborigines out of contact at the Census.

OVERSEAS ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Permanent movement—persons arriving with the stated intention of settling permanently in Australia, and Australian residents departing with the stated intention of residing permanently abroad.

Long-term movement—arrival of visitors and temporary departure of residents with the stated intention of staying (in Australia or in a country abroad respectively) for twelve months or more, and the departure of visitors and return of Australian residents who have stayed (in Australia or in a country abroad respectively) for twelve months or more.

Short-term movement—all other overseas arrivals and departures, including those of Australian troops irrespective of period of stay, and U.S. troops visiting Australia on rest and recreation leave. The latter are classified for statistical purposes as short-term visitors.

Crew members, persons passing through Australia on board the same ship or on the same flight (variously called direct transit passengers or 'through' passengers) and passengers on short pleasure cruises commencing and finishing in Australia on ships not then engaged in regular voyages, are excluded from these statistics.

Arrivals

Period	Permanent movement	Long-term movement		Short-term movement			Total arrivals	Excess of total arrivals over total departures
	Settlers arriving	Australian residents returning	Overseas visitors arriving	Australian residents returning	Overseas visitors arriving			
					Original	Seasonally adjusted		
Monthly average								
1964-65	11,679	2,005	1,374	12,338	13,481	..	40,877	8,380
1965-66	12,005	2,273	1,538	14,234	14,989	..	45,039	7,699
1966-67	11,556	2,597	1,673	16,879	16,540	..	49,245	7,281
1967-68	11,461	3,086	1,945	20,014	21,455	..	57,961	7,780
1968-69	14,638	3,115	2,037	22,233	27,677	..	69,700	10,536
Monthly total								
1968-69—								
July	12,135	2,660	1,964	17,950	19,820	23,748	54,529	11,578
August	14,481	3,192	1,635	22,266	24,793	25,499	66,367	10,609
September	11,861	3,101	1,811	26,121	21,919	24,161	64,813	17,845
October	15,372	2,975	1,685	23,676	30,251	27,870	73,959	20,034
November	15,282	3,061	1,616	21,076	30,199	28,895	71,234	15,694
December	14,528	4,795	1,700	18,035	37,622	28,548	76,680	3,015
January	14,369	3,850	3,036	35,737	28,483	28,235	85,475	17,463
February	11,814	2,830	2,829	20,708	28,582	27,289	66,763	11,067
March	16,836	3,186	2,564	21,547	32,093	30,733	76,226	8,008
April	15,353	2,555	1,827	18,365	26,882	27,943	64,982	2,382
May	18,949	2,747	1,870	21,559	27,591	29,098	72,716	2,737
June	14,677	2,424	1,905	19,757	23,890	30,436	62,653	5,993
1969-70—								
July	16,197	2,632	2,140	22,291	25,654	30,436	68,914	12,453
August	12,917	3,072	2,155	25,688	30,345	30,961	74,177	5,498

Departures

Period	Permanent movement		Long-term movement		Short-term movement		Total departures
	Former settlers departing (a)	Other residents departing	Australian residents departing	Overseas visitors departing	Australian residents departing	Overseas visitors departing	
Monthly average							
1964-65	856	569	3,558	1,137	12,461	13,916	32,497
1965-66	1,364	550	4,315	984	14,484	15,643	37,340
1966-67	1,703	735	4,479	1,059	16,559	17,429	41,964
1967-68	1,960	660	4,320	1,043	19,579	22,619	50,181
1968-69	1,962	678	4,441	1,151	22,189	28,743	59,164
Monthly total							
1968-69—							
July	1,226	534	3,577	935	17,567	19,112	42,951
August	2,532	745	4,766	1,016	21,442	25,257	55,758
September	2,236	697	3,762	946	15,420	23,907	46,968
October	2,271	564	3,895	815	17,101	29,279	53,925
November	2,769	696	4,047	1,164	16,772	30,092	55,540
December	1,925	736	4,319	1,553	35,933	29,199	73,665
January	2,273	845	6,055	1,378	19,841	37,622	68,012
February	1,204	629	3,855	978	18,366	30,664	55,696
March	2,110	708	5,413	1,380	25,411	33,196	68,218
April	1,658	607	4,645	1,146	24,903	29,641	62,600
May	2,155	765	4,740	1,386	29,135	31,798	69,979
June	1,178	615	4,222	1,122	24,377	25,146	56,660
1969-70—							
July	2,194	723	4,674	1,318	22,270	25,282	56,461
August	2,896	900	6,493	1,334	26,035	31,021	68,679

(a) Excludes persons who stated on departure that they had come to Australia to settle and had stayed for a period of less than twelve months.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Excluding defence forces and employees in rural industry and private domestic service)

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Month	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory (b)	Australia
Males									
1964—June	947.7	702.8	(c)316.8	229.4	164.3	77.4	8.9	21.9	2,469.3
1965—June(c)	976.9	723.5	329.1	239.9	171.5	78.4	9.5	24.2	2,553.1
1966—June	996.2	733.4	336.6	242.1	180.7	81.1	10.5	26.0	2,606.6
1967—June	1,006.4	744.8	335.2	243.2	183.9	82.7	11.6	27.4	2,635.3
1968—June	1,031.4	763.1	345.0	250.0	198.1	84.3	13.1	29.4	2,714.4
1967—									
July	1,004.3	744.0	336.8	243.3	184.9	82.3	11.9	27.5	2,634.8
August	1,006.5	745.0	337.5	243.7	185.2	82.3	12.0	27.8	2,640.0
September	1,008.6	746.4	338.0	243.8	186.7	82.4	12.0	28.0	2,645.8
October	1,011.8	748.8	337.8	245.1	188.3	82.1	12.0	28.2	2,654.1
November	1,017.8	755.0	338.1	246.7	190.3	82.5	11.8	28.6	2,670.9
December	1,020.7	759.2	332.6	247.4	191.6	83.7	11.6	28.8	2,675.8
1968—									
January	1,019.6	759.5	333.0	248.0	193.2	84.0	11.6	29.2	2,678.1
February	1,025.0	764.1	339.1	250.6	195.4	84.3	11.6	29.1	2,699.2
March	1,026.7	764.5	340.8	250.6	196.2	84.2	12.0	29.2	2,704.2
April	1,028.3	763.4	342.1	250.1	196.3	84.5	12.3	29.4	2,706.4
May	1,030.8	763.9	343.5	249.6	197.3	84.8	12.7	29.5	2,712.1
June	1,031.4	763.1	345.0	250.0	198.1	84.3	13.1	29.4	2,714.4
July	1,031.0	764.1	346.3	249.6	198.2	84.1	13.5	29.4	2,716.3
August	1,031.9	764.4	347.0	249.9	199.0	84.2	13.6	29.5	2,719.4
September	1,034.9	764.3	347.1	249.7	199.9	84.1	13.8	29.5	2,723.4
October	1,037.9	764.3	346.6	249.7	199.9	84.2	13.8	29.7	2,726.2
November	1,045.3	770.7	346.4	251.0	201.6	84.5	13.6	30.1	2,743.1
December	1,051.1	776.0	341.6	251.9	202.8	85.8	13.5	30.5	2,753.3
1969—									
January	1,050.1	775.7	344.8	252.7	203.1	85.8	13.5	30.7	2,756.5
February	1,052.6	778.6	347.7	254.3	204.4	85.9	13.6	30.9	2,767.9
Females									
1964—June	390.7	300.6	115.5	86.0	58.5	27.1	3.0	10.0	991.4
1965—June	412.6	316.3	123.1	93.4	62.7	28.1	3.2	11.5	1,051.0
1966—June	426.7	328.4	128.9	97.7	68.0	29.8	3.6	13.1	1,096.2
1967—June	443.4	340.9	133.9	99.7	72.4	30.9	4.1	14.4	1,139.8
1968—June	460.3	350.9	139.9	106.0	78.7	31.9	4.8	16.0	1,188.5
1967—									
July	443.0	341.1	134.4	99.8	72.4	30.5	4.1	14.5	1,140.0
August	444.6	341.9	134.7	100.2	72.8	30.4	4.2	14.7	1,143.4
September	446.8	342.6	135.3	100.5	73.0	30.4	4.2	14.9	1,147.7
October	449.8	344.3	136.2	101.3	73.7	30.5	4.2	14.9	1,155.0
November	454.7	348.3	136.8	102.5	74.7	30.8	4.2	15.1	1,167.1
December	454.8	347.9	136.5	102.5	73.5	31.4	4.2	15.3	1,165.9
1968—									
January	449.9	346.5	135.8	102.6	73.3	31.4	4.1	15.4	1,159.1
February	453.4	352.0	138.0	105.3	76.6	31.6	4.3	15.7	1,176.9
March	456.7	353.7	138.3	106.3	77.6	32.1	4.5	15.8	1,185.0
April	456.7	351.3	138.4	105.5	77.9	32.2	4.6	15.9	1,182.6
May	458.9	351.6	139.5	105.7	78.2	32.1	4.7	16.0	1,186.6
June	460.3	350.9	139.9	106.0	78.7	31.9	4.8	16.0	1,188.5
July	461.3	351.5	140.7	105.6	79.0	31.5	4.9	16.0	1,190.3
August	462.3	352.6	140.3	105.9	79.3	31.3	4.9	16.1	1,192.7
September	466.1	353.9	141.1	106.4	80.2	31.3	5.0	16.2	1,200.2
October	470.9	355.4	141.1	106.7	80.6	31.3	5.0	16.4	1,207.4
November	477.0	358.7	142.4	107.6	81.0	31.4	5.0	16.7	1,219.9
December	478.0	360.2	142.5	107.7	80.2	32.0	4.9	16.9	1,222.4
1969—									
January	474.8	358.7	141.0	107.5	80.2	31.8	4.9	16.8	1,215.8
February	475.9	364.6	143.6	109.0	83.3	31.8	5.1	17.4	1,230.7

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WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Excluding defence forces and employees in rural industry and private domestic service)

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Month	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory (b)	Australia
Persons									
1959—June	1,157.6	875.2	387.7	269.5	193.3	93.6	8.8	19.0	3,004.7
1960—June	1,213.3	913.2	396.0	279.0	197.9	97.1	9.2	20.8	3,126.5
1961—June	1,220.1	909.8	393.8	279.8	199.7	98.1	9.6	22.3	3,133.2
1962—June	1,253.2	930.8	399.2	287.9	208.1	99.1	10.0	25.2	3,213.5
1963—June	1,285.0	960.6	413.4	300.5	214.9	100.4	10.9	29.1	3,314.8
1964—June	1,338.4	1,003.3	(c)432.3	315.5	222.9	104.5	11.9	31.9	3,460.7
1965—June(c)	1,389.5	1,039.8	452.2	333.3	234.2	106.5	12.7	35.7	3,604.1
1966—June	1,422.9	1,061.8	465.5	339.8	248.7	110.9	14.1	39.1	3,702.8
1967—June	1,449.8	1,085.7	469.1	342.9	256.3	113.6	15.7	41.8	3,775.1
1968—June	1,491.7	1,114.0	484.9	356.0	276.8	116.2	17.9	45.4	3,902.9
1967—									
January	1,437.7	1,080.0	460.8	341.1	250.9	113.0	14.2	40.9	3,738.6
February	1,444.7	1,091.1	465.8	343.1	253.8	113.3	14.2	41.0	3,767.0
March	1,448.2	1,089.4	466.1	344.5	254.6	114.1	14.4	41.2	3,772.4
April	1,448.4	1,088.0	467.1	343.7	254.8	114.5	14.8	41.3	3,772.6
May	1,449.5	1,088.0	470.0	343.2	256.1	114.2	15.4	41.7	3,778.0
June	1,449.8	1,085.7	469.1	342.9	256.3	113.6	15.7	41.8	3,775.1
July	1,447.3	1,085.1	471.2	343.1	257.3	112.8	16.0	42.0	3,774.8
August	1,451.1	1,086.9	472.2	343.9	258.0	112.7	16.2	42.5	3,783.4
September	1,455.4	1,089.0	473.3	344.3	259.7	112.8	16.2	42.9	3,793.5
October	1,461.6	1,093.1	474.0	346.4	262.0	112.6	16.2	43.1	3,809.1
November	1,472.5	1,103.3	474.9	349.2	265.0	113.3	16.0	43.7	3,838.0
December	1,475.5	1,107.1	469.1	349.9	265.1	115.1	15.8	44.1	3,841.7
1968—									
January	1,469.5	1,106.0	468.8	350.6	266.5	115.4	15.7	44.6	3,837.2
February	1,478.4	1,116.1	477.1	355.9	272.0	115.9	15.9	44.8	3,876.1
March	1,483.4	1,118.2	479.1	356.9	273.8	116.3	16.5	45.0	3,889.2
April	1,485.0	1,114.7	480.5	355.6	274.2	116.7	16.9	45.3	3,889.0
May	1,489.7	1,115.5	483.0	355.3	275.5	116.9	17.4	45.5	3,898.7
June	1,491.7	1,114.0	484.9	356.0	276.8	116.2	17.9	45.4	3,902.9
July	1,492.3	1,115.6	487.0	355.2	277.2	115.6	18.4	45.4	3,906.6
August	1,494.2	1,117.0	487.3	355.8	278.3	115.5	18.5	45.6	3,912.1
September	1,501.0	1,118.2	488.2	356.1	280.1	115.4	18.8	45.7	3,923.6
October	1,508.8	1,119.7	487.7	356.4	280.5	115.5	18.8	46.1	3,933.6
November	1,522.3	1,129.4	488.8	358.6	282.6	115.9	18.6	46.8	3,963.0
December	1,529.1	1,136.2	484.1	359.6	283.0	117.8	18.4	47.4	3,975.7
1969—									
January	1,524.9	1,134.4	485.8	360.2	283.3	117.6	18.4	47.5	3,972.3
February	1,528.5	1,143.2	491.3	363.3	287.7	117.7	18.7	48.3	3,998.6

(a) The figures in this table, except those relating to government employees, are based on comprehensive data from the Population Censuses of June 1954 and June 1961. Estimates for months subsequent to June 1961 are derived from current pay-roll tax returns, returns of government employment, other direct records of employment, and estimates of the number of employees not covered by these collections. The figures are not directly comparable with statistics derived from the 1966 Population Census, for which new work force definitions were adopted. *Estimates for June 1966 and subsequent months will be revised as soon as possible.* The new series will be based on 1966 census benchmarks. In due course the estimates for periods prior to the census of June 1966 will be revised, but on a basis comparable with that of the 1961 census benchmarks, the information needed to revise these benchmarks on the 1966 census basis not being available. (b) Includes persons employed in the Australian Capital Territory who reside in adjoining areas. (c) Affected by industrial disputes.

PERSONS REGISTERED FOR EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Source: Department of Labour and National Service)

STATES (Persons)

Month(b)	N.S.W.(c)	Vic.	Qld	S.A.(d)	W.A.	Tas.	Australia *
1965—June	15,670	8,771	8,360	3,533	3,576	2,235	42,145
1966—June	22,837	14,026	9,735	7,357	3,370	1,695	59,020
1967—June	24,957	16,152	13,025	8,484	3,757	2,116	68,491
1968—June	20,808	19,595	10,252	8,359	4,151	2,088	65,253
1969—June	18,277	13,254	10,908	6,300	4,007	2,120	54,866
1968—							
March	21,595	19,227	14,972	8,308	3,626	1,635	69,363
April	20,795	19,582	13,347	8,118	3,430	1,714	66,986
May	20,949	19,850	12,767	8,192	3,666	1,922	67,346
June	20,808	19,595	10,252	8,359	4,151	2,088	65,253
July	20,424	18,361	8,414	8,018	4,282	1,933	61,432
August	17,865	15,705	7,244	7,107	3,599	2,021	53,541
September	16,363	14,132	6,618	6,207	3,150	1,892	48,362
October	16,419	13,399	6,237	5,716	2,901	1,816	46,488
November	21,647	13,652	11,896	6,043	3,177	(e) 3,347	59,762
December	24,911	24,246	17,327	9,140	4,437	3,100	83,161
1969—							
January	26,855	24,859	18,466	11,031	5,429	3,339	89,979
February	23,276	18,006	15,864	9,033	4,833	2,628	73,645
March	19,294	13,929	13,466	7,381	3,954	2,160	60,184
April	18,900	14,214	11,786	7,274	4,160	1,957	58,291
May	18,087	14,329	11,644	6,744	3,938	2,056	56,798
June	18,277	13,254	10,908	6,300	4,007	2,120	54,866
July	16,635	13,002	7,969	6,013	3,691	2,228	49,538
August	15,079	12,185	6,984	5,269	3,233	2,170	44,920

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Month	Males		Females		Persons	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
1965—June	22,403	22,470	19,742	19,976	42,145	42,382
1966—June	36,066	36,163	22,954	23,372	59,020	59,517
1967—June	43,166	43,225	25,325	25,853	68,491	69,110
1968—June	39,351	39,332	25,902	26,460	65,253	65,791
1969—June	33,304	33,271	21,562	22,025	54,866	55,308
1968—						
March	39,644	41,658	29,719	27,420	69,363	69,037
April	39,190	41,221	27,796	26,947	66,986	68,130
May	40,577	41,629	26,769	26,727	67,346	68,332
June	39,351	39,332	25,902	26,460	65,253	65,791
July	37,685	39,324	23,747	25,847	61,432	65,255
August	32,637	37,425	20,904	25,443	53,541	62,810
September	28,663	36,868	19,699	25,345	48,362	62,288
October	27,568	38,318	18,920	25,004	46,488	63,145
November	35,862	39,897	23,900	25,208	59,762	64,931
December	53,860	41,321	29,301	25,867	83,161	67,439
1969—						
January	57,110	39,120	32,869	25,039	89,979	64,215
February	43,452	38,462	30,193	24,394	73,645	62,812
March	34,499	36,162	25,685	23,737	60,184	59,892
April	34,298	36,032	23,993	23,232	58,291	59,240
May	34,505	35,353	22,293	22,271	56,798	57,604
June	33,304	33,271	21,562	22,025	54,866	55,308
July	30,132	31,453	19,406	21,139	49,538	52,644
August	27,372	31,318	17,548	21,374	44,920	52,661

(a) Persons who claimed, when registering with the Commonwealth Employment Service, that they were not employed and who were recorded as unplaced. Includes those referred to employers and those who may have obtained employment without notifying the C.E.S. Includes also persons receiving unemployment benefit. (b) Generally at Friday nearest end of month. (c) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (d) Includes the Northern Territory. (e) Affected by earlier school leaving dates.

* Also seasonally adjusted—see below.

VACANCIES REGISTERED WITH COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICE(a)

(Source : Department of Labour and National Service)

STATES

(Persons)

Month(b)	N.S.W.(c)	Vic.	Qld	S.A.(d)	W.A.	Tas.	Australia *
1965—June	15,602	17,901	3,769	4,356	2,422	639	44,689
1966—June	10,734	13,751	3,239	1,507	2,965	825	33,021
1967—June	10,384	11,459	2,345	1,342	2,411	1,394	29,335
1968—June	11,416	9,411	2,605	1,591	2,630	1,069	28,722
1969—June	14,053	11,777	2,057	2,561	3,786	762	34,996
1968—							
March	13,212	11,942	2,614	1,992	3,769	1,458	34,987
April	12,148	10,188	2,480	1,769	3,720	1,163	31,468
May	11,887	9,678	2,719	1,785	3,307	1,186	30,562
June	11,416	9,411	2,605	1,591	2,630	1,069	28,722
July	12,465	9,958	2,612	1,715	2,530	948	30,228
August	13,879	10,967	2,970	1,844	3,067	1,038	33,765
September	15,985	11,922	3,026	2,090	3,597	1,020	37,640
October	17,857	12,754	3,210	2,400	4,013	1,063	41,297
November	19,673	12,664	3,027	2,375	4,314	1,802	43,855
December	18,028	16,865	2,970	3,826	3,720	1,677	47,086
1969—							
January	16,359	19,194	2,769	3,016	4,133	850	46,321
February	15,001	14,876	2,275	2,520	5,048	1,025	40,745
March	15,124	13,200	2,131	2,210	5,111	859	38,635
April	13,409	12,296	2,025	2,316	4,828	728	35,602
May	13,922	11,949	1,993	2,346	4,405	764	35,379
June	14,053	11,777	2,057	2,561	3,786	762	34,996
July	15,644	12,408	2,726	2,558	4,055	921	38,312
August	17,302	13,675	2,681	2,982	4,723	1,036	42,399

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Month	Males		Females		Persons	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
1965—June	32,071	41,897	12,618	16,259	44,689	58,242
1966—June	22,116	28,803	10,905	13,960	33,021	42,769
1967—June	18,669	23,637	10,666	13,360	29,335	36,985
1968—June	18,662	23,743	10,060	12,626	28,722	36,368
1969—June	20,479	26,121	14,517	18,237	34,996	44,411
1968—						
March	23,715	23,488	11,272	12,219	34,987	35,495
April	20,975	23,131	10,493	12,266	31,468	35,346
May	20,289	23,604	10,273	12,411	30,562	36,174
June	18,662	23,743	10,060	12,626	28,722	36,368
July	18,760	23,833	11,468	13,196	30,228	37,114
August	19,802	23,678	13,963	13,814	33,765	37,922
September	22,460	24,692	15,180	14,040	37,640	39,359
October	25,033	24,409	16,264	14,421	41,297	38,966
November	27,689	23,870	16,166	14,927	43,855	38,417
December	30,193	23,212	16,893	14,065	47,086	36,866
1969—						
January	30,430	23,089	15,891	13,333	46,321	36,476
February	25,797	23,371	14,948	14,493	40,745	37,688
March	23,595	23,397	15,040	16,305	38,635	39,231
April	21,484	23,745	14,118	16,470	35,602	40,026
May	21,061	24,547	14,318	17,292	35,379	41,968
June	20,479	26,121	14,517	18,237	34,996	44,411
July	22,490	28,613	15,822	18,207	38,312	47,066
August	24,411	29,235	17,988	17,792	42,399	47,586

(a) Vacancies which employers claimed were available immediately or would be available by the end of the following calendar month.
 (b) Generally at Friday nearest end of month. (c) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (d) Includes the Northern Territory.

* Also seasonally adjusted—see below.

UNEMPLOYMENT, SICKNESS AND SPECIAL BENEFITS

PERSONS ON BENEFIT

(Source: Department of Social Services)

UNEMPLOYMENT

Period(a)	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland (b)	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Australia(b)(c)					
							Males		Females		Persons	
							Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
June												
1960	5,605	3,676	3,064	1,380	2,293	500	11,399	10,440	5,142	4,426	16,541	14,904
1961	19,574	16,089	9,632	4,042	3,417	1,336	42,479	38,713	11,775	10,154	54,254	48,644
1962	16,967	14,338	7,432	3,057	2,667	1,778	32,401	29,670	13,923	12,072	46,324	41,674
1963	16,834	8,548	5,353	2,441	3,179	1,777	24,200	22,440	13,988	12,259	38,188	34,739
1964	6,851	3,380	2,803	1,267	2,367	1,399	9,478	8,894	8,651	7,688	18,129	16,694
1965	4,667	1,960	3,239	703	1,137	926	6,753	6,392	5,903	5,315	12,656	11,771
1966	7,839	3,450	4,209	2,352	743	433	12,154	11,518	6,904	6,269	19,058	17,793
1967	8,170	4,159	5,916	3,808	785	526	15,833	15,011	7,561	6,891	23,394	21,880
1968	6,437	6,141	3,815	3,461	746	635	13,350	12,641	7,925	7,232	21,275	19,893
1969	4,814	3,608	4,447	1,956	469	600	10,344	9,786	5,566	5,083	15,910	14,869
1967-68—												
July	8,517	4,530	4,272	4,147	855	597	15,542	15,090	7,409	7,064	22,951	22,162
August	7,882	4,373	3,342	3,789	736	620	13,976	15,094	6,791	7,154	20,767	22,243
September	6,603	3,926	2,620	2,997	494	533	11,408	14,173	5,779	6,901	17,187	20,802
October	6,013	3,505	2,345	2,593	396	419	9,806	13,507	5,481	7,027	15,287	20,522
November	6,096	3,472	2,856	2,500	360	432	9,869	13,349	5,866	7,179	15,735	20,618
December	8,770	5,229	7,411	3,665	673	536	18,738	13,780	7,583	7,473	26,321	21,307
January	8,267	4,954	8,570	3,691	629	536	18,712	13,916	7,973	7,491	26,685	21,415
February	7,271	4,238	8,072	3,209	606	474	15,463	14,076	8,465	7,678	23,928	21,705
March	6,079	4,197	6,595	2,907	574	361	12,460	13,502	8,288	7,556	20,748	21,237
April	6,467	5,007	5,470	3,197	541	396	12,911	13,275	8,179	7,434	21,090	20,727
May	6,231	5,671	5,699	3,185	491	456	13,671	13,373	8,098	7,364	21,769	20,770
June	6,437	6,141	3,815	3,461	746	635	13,350	12,641	7,925	7,232	21,275	19,893
1968-69—												
July	6,250	5,704	3,157	3,314	728	642	12,770	12,417	7,054	6,753	19,824	19,187
August	5,402	4,723	2,612	2,838	536	667	10,702	11,566	6,095	6,440	16,797	18,017
September	4,507	3,960	2,306	2,420	388	615	8,917	11,105	5,292	6,343	14,209	17,220
October	4,156	3,939	2,050	2,233	384	565	8,475	11,738	4,860	6,246	13,335	17,986
November	4,599	3,723	3,322	2,170	370	575	9,459	12,808	5,307	6,497	14,766	19,291
December	6,850	5,125	6,993	3,131	729	658	16,903	12,361	6,611	6,493	23,514	18,915
January	6,414	4,977	7,432	3,244	695	648	16,628	12,358	6,813	6,387	23,441	18,792
February	5,574	3,869	6,620	2,787	532	543	12,910	11,760	7,039	6,381	19,949	18,093
March	4,472	3,329	5,146	2,126	473	332	9,853	10,703	6,045	5,499	15,898	16,313
April	4,775	3,474	4,561	2,172	437	410	9,881	10,168	5,972	5,428	15,853	15,593
May	4,715	3,647	4,785	1,992	400	499	10,349	10,106	5,705	5,186	16,054	15,304
June	4,814	3,608	4,447	1,956	469	600	10,344	9,786	5,566	5,083	15,910	14,869
1969-70—												
July	4,656	3,518	3,166	1,850	487	714	9,155	8,906	5,257	5,045	14,412	13,965
August	3,903	3,064	2,352	1,446	384	681	7,450	8,054	4,404	4,660	11,854	12,719

SICKNESS AND SPECIAL BENEFITS: AUSTRALIA

Period(a)	Sickness	Special		Period(a)	Sickness	Special	
		Ordinary	Migrant(d)			Ordinary	Migrant(d)
June							
1965	10,187	2,423	90	1968-69—			
1966	10,220	2,329	222	December	7,645	3,744	813
1967	10,459	2,148	322	January	7,900	3,826	628
1968	9,370	2,665	299	February	8,303	3,687	379
1969	8,185	4,187	398	March	7,931	3,947	591
				April	8,054	3,963	334
				May	8,229	4,070	450
				June	8,185	4,187	398
1968-69—							
July	9,241	3,369	253	1969-70—			
August	9,009	3,896	279	July	8,463	4,264	368
September	8,798	4,006	261	August	8,769	4,290	330
October	8,493	4,010	471				
November	8,784	4,033	593				

(a) At last Saturday of month. (b) Excludes Torres Strait Islanders. (c) Includes Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory.
(d) In Commonwealth centres or hostels awaiting their first placement in employment in Australia.

VALUE OF RETAIL SALES(a): COMMODITY GROUPS*

Figures are on a basis comparable with the 1961-62 Retail Census. The figures in the table below relate to retail sales of goods (as distinct from services, repairs, accommodation, entertainment, meals, etc.) by establishments which normally sell goods by retail to the general public from shops, rooms, kiosks and yards. Hotels, garages and service stations are also included in respect of goods sold, but establishments such as clubs and guest houses are entirely excluded. Figures for the year 1961-62 are derived from a census taken in respect of that year, whereas other figures are estimates made by means of sample surveys.

(\$ million)

Period	Groceries (b)	Butchers' meat	Other food (c)	Beer, wine and spirits	Clothing and drapery	Footwear	Hardware (d)	Electrical goods (e)	Furniture	Chemists' goods	News-papers, books and stationery	Other goods (f)	Total (exc. motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc.) (g)	Motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc. (g)
Quarterly average														
1959-60	195.5	96.7	167.6	131.4	217.0	36.1	35.3	93.5	57.3	54.0	38.9	113.2	1,236.3	413.7
1960-61	208.3	105.4	176.3	134.6	225.3	38.4	36.3	88.6	58.6	60.7	40.0	121.0	1,293.3	412.4
1961-62	214.6	105.6	182.5	136.5	225.0	38.7	36.5	87.0	57.5	66.5	41.6	122.4	1,314.3	400.8
1962-63	223.2	111.2	191.4	143.6	232.5	40.6	38.8	91.8	61.3	71.1	43.2	130.2	1,378.7	496.7
1963-64	235.0	117.4	198.6	148.3	253.8	42.8	38.4	97.5	68.1	76.9	47.7	140.6	1,465.0	551.6
1964-65	254.0	127.6	211.3	157.8	269.6	44.4	40.7	103.8	75.7	83.5	50.6	151.9	1,570.6	593.2
1965-66	272.9	136.9	222.2	171.2	279.7	45.1	41.0	100.3	77.7	90.5	53.7	162.6	1,653.8	591.1
1966-67	291.1	147.3	235.3	185.9	292.8	49.3	43.9	102.0	80.4	96.8	58.5	174.1	1,757.3	624.7
1967-68	313.1	153.4	247.2	201.8	310.2	52.2	45.9	111.0	88.1	104.3	62.3	181.5	1,870.7	694.0
1968-69	330.0	155.9	253.8	214.8	328.2	53.4	49.1	115.0	96.1	112.1	66.9	198.7	1,973.8	746.9
Quarterly totals														
1965-66—														
June	272.7	140.4	220.9	164.7	297.1	48.2	38.4	93.8	73.1	90.0	50.7	154.1	1,644.1	591.4
1966-67—														
September	282.4	145.4	225.2	167.3	270.6	45.7	38.7	97.4	79.6	93.8	53.1	162.4	1,661.6	604.2
December	311.6	146.7	247.1	206.9	338.8	56.0	55.4	117.9	92.8	108.6	65.6	210.7	1,958.1	649.6
March	280.5	144.4	237.2	191.3	246.4	41.9	40.3	94.4	70.5	90.1	60.2	159.8	1,657.0	600.7
June	289.7	152.5	231.8	178.2	315.4	53.7	41.2	98.4	78.5	94.7	54.9	163.3	1,752.3	644.2
1967-68—														
September	303.5	155.5	236.5	181.1	296.1	50.0	40.9	102.4	87.0	99.9	56.4	171.0	1,780.3	678.0
December	331.2	153.6	258.3	223.0	360.9	60.5	58.6	128.8	102.6	116.7	69.6	218.1	2,081.9	709.7
March	306.3	148.2	248.1	214.3	256.5	44.1	41.5	106.7	77.4	97.7	65.4	165.1	1,771.3	660.2
June	311.2	156.2	245.9	188.9	327.1	54.3	42.4	105.9	85.2	102.8	57.6	171.7	1,849.2	728.2
1968-69—														
September	316.8	155.3	243.8	191.2	304.1	49.1	42.8	107.3	93.5	107.7	60.0	182.2	1,853.8	717.3
December	350.2	155.3	267.6	239.2	379.3	60.5	61.8	133.7	112.1	122.2	74.8	242.9	2,199.6	769.4
March	320.8	152.1	254.9	221.7	276.8	45.7	45.7	108.0	85.4	105.9	70.5	182.7	1,870.2	731.8
June	332.1	160.7	249.0	206.9	352.4	58.3	46.2	110.8	93.4	112.4	62.3	187.1	1,971.6	769.1
Monthly total														
1969—														
March	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	638.3	..
April	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	636.3	..
May	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	699.9	..
June	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	635.4	..
July p	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	663.9	..
August p	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	668.3	..

(a) Excludes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes bacon, butter, etc. (c) Includes fresh fruit and vegetables, confectionery, soft drinks, ice cream, cakes, pastry, cooked provisions, fish, etc., but excludes some delivered milk and bread. (d) Excludes basic building materials, builders' hardware and supplies such as tools of trade, paint, etc. (e) Includes radios, television, and accessories, musical instruments, domestic refrigerators, etc. (f) Includes tobacco, cigarettes, etc., jewellery, sporting goods, etc., but excludes grain and produce and business machines. (g) Includes new and used motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc., but excludes tractors, farm machinery and implements, earth-moving equipment, etc.

Note. Figures from June quarter, 1968 are subject to revision when more precise information is available relating to trading by new businesses.

*Also seasonally adjusted—see page 11.

VALUE OF RETAIL SALES(a): COMMODITY GROUPS

Figures are on a basis comparable with the 1961-62 Retail Census. The figures in the table below relate to retail sales of goods (as distinct from services, repairs, accommodation, entertainment, meals, etc.) by establishments which normally sell goods by retail to the general public from shops, rooms, kiosks and yards. Hotels, garages and service stations are also included in respect of goods sold, but establishments such as clubs and guest houses are entirely excluded. Figures for the year 1961-62 are derived from a census taken in respect of that year, whereas other figures are estimates made by means of sample surveys.

(\$ million)

Period	Food and drink		Clothing, hardware, electrical, furniture		Other		Total (excluding motor vehicles, etc.)		Motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc.	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
Quarterly average										
1959-60	591.2	..	439.2	..	206.1	..	1,236.3	..	413.7	..
1960-61	624.5	..	447.2	..	221.7	..	1,293.3	..	412.4	..
1961-62	639.1	..	444.7	..	230.5	..	1,314.3	..	400.8	..
1962-63	669.4	..	464.9	..	244.4	..	1,378.7	..	496.7	..
1963-64	699.3	..	500.5	..	265.3	..	1,465.0	..	551.6	..
1964-65	750.6	..	534.1	..	286.0	..	1,570.6	..	593.2	..
1965-66	803.2	..	543.8	..	306.8	..	1,653.8	..	591.1	..
1966-67	859.6	..	568.4	..	329.3	..	1,757.3	..	624.7	..
1967-68	915.5	..	607.2	..	348.0	..	1,870.7	..	694.0	..
1968-69	954.4	..	641.7	..	377.7	..	1,973.8	..	746.9	..
Quarterly total										
1965-66										
June	798.7	823.5	550.6	547.2	294.8	316.0	1,644.1	1,684.8	591.4	595.5
1966-67—										
September	820.3	835.7	532.0	551.7	309.3	321.6	1,661.6	1,708.5	604.2	596.5
December	912.3	852.9	660.9	563.8	384.9	325.8	1,958.1	1,742.8	649.6	621.3
March	853.4	868.8	493.5	573.7	310.1	333.6	1,657.0	1,776.4	600.7	636.9
June	852.2	878.9	587.2	584.3	312.9	335.8	1,752.3	1,796.9	644.2	646.7
1967-68—										
September	876.6	896.7	576.4	598.8	327.3	341.7	1,780.3	1,838.7	678.0	668.1
December	966.1	909.1	711.4	610.9	404.4	344.6	2,081.9	1,864.2	709.7	679.9
March	916.9	923.2	526.2	604.4	328.2	349.0	1,771.3	1,878.1	660.2	689.4
June	902.2	930.5	614.9	612.3	332.1	356.6	1,849.2	1,897.0	728.2	730.9
1968-69—										
September	907.1	929.0	596.8	620.3	349.9	365.6	1,853.8	1,916.8	717.3	714.0
December	1,012.3	945.9	747.4	637.3	439.9	372.3	2,199.6	1,955.1	769.4	735.9
March	949.5	966.9	561.6	651.5	359.1	386.1	1,870.2	2,004.5	731.8	771.9
June	948.7	979.1	661.1	658.5	361.8	388.6	1,971.6	2,022.2	769.1	772.2
Monthly total										
1969—										
March	..	..	..	..	..	..	638.3	679.0	..	..
April	..	..	..	..	..	..	636.3	662.8	..	..
May	..	..	..	..	..	..	699.9	673.0	..	..
June	..	..	..	..	..	..	635.4	689.2	..	..
July p	..	..	..	..	..	..	663.9	684.4	..	..
August p	..	..	..	..	..	..	668.3	689.0	..	..

(a) Excludes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory.

Note. Figures from June quarter, 1968 are subject to revision when more precise information is available relating to trading by new businesses.

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES

The following statistics cover all types of schemes which relate primarily to the financing of retail sales of goods and in which repayment is made by regular predetermined instalments. Types of schemes covered include hire purchase, time payment, budget account, and personal loans relating primarily to financing of retail sales of goods.

AMOUNT FINANCED BY COMMODITY GROUPS, AND BALANCES OUTSTANDING, BY TYPE OF BUSINESS: AUSTRALIA (\$ million)

Period	Amount financed during period (excluding hiring charges, interest, insurance, etc.)				Balances outstanding at end of period (including hiring charges etc.)	
	Motor vehicles, etc.	Plant and machinery	Household and personal goods	Total	Original	Seasonally adjusted
Retail businesses						
Quarterly average						
1963-64	5.7	0.8	74.5	80.9	416.7	..
1964-65	5.5	0.6	71.8	77.9	395.6	..
1965-66	4.8	0.8	64.8	70.5	360.3	..
1966-67	5.0	0.9	63.6	69.5	339.3	..
1967-68	5.2	0.8	66.3	72.4	337.3	..
Quarterly total						
1966-67—						
March	4.6	0.7	51.5	56.8	345.2	345.8
June	4.5	0.7	64.1	69.3	339.3	340.9
1967-68—						
September	4.7	0.8	61.4	66.8	329.7	336.3
December	5.6	0.7	81.7	88.0	343.9	335.1
March	4.9	0.8	55.0	60.8	335.9	336.6
June	5.7	1.1	67.1	73.9	337.3	338.9
1968-69—						
September	5.9	1.3	64.6	71.8	334.6	341.4
December	6.9	0.9	85.3	93.1	353.6	344.4
March	5.9	0.9	54.6	61.3	341.9	342.6
Non-retail finance businesses						
Quarterly average						
1963-64	126.8	13.2	21.0	161.0	939.2	..
1964-65	140.2	16.3	21.7	178.3	1,055.2	..
1965-66	130.9	17.4	20.9	169.2	1,074.0	..
1966-67	135.5	20.9	21.1	177.5	1,103.3	..
1967-68	161.9	23.4	22.0	207.3	1,237.4	..
Quarterly total						
1966-67—						
March	126.5	19.3	19.4	165.2	1,087.6	1,093.5
June	142.4	21.6	20.4	184.4	1,103.3	1,113.3
1967-68—						
September	154.8	18.7	20.4	193.9	1,132.9	1,136.0
December	168.0	27.0	24.1	219.1	1,185.6	1,167.6
March	158.8	21.6	21.6	202.0	1,198.9	1,205.6
June	165.9	26.3	22.0	214.2	1,237.4	1,248.4
1968-69—						
September	167.8	23.6	22.5	214.0	1,269.1	1,272.8
December	190.4	36.4	23.9	250.7	1,333.8	1,313.8
March	177.1	26.4	21.0	224.5	1,345.0	1,352.6

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES

AMOUNT FINANCED, BY COMMODITY GROUPS, AND BALANCES OUTSTANDING, BY TYPE OF BUSINESS: AUSTRALIA—continued
(\$ million)

Period	Amount financed during period (excluding hiring charges, interest, insurance etc.)				Balances outstanding at end of period (including hiring charges, etc.)	
	Motor vehicles, etc.	Plant and machinery	Household and personal goods	Total	Original	Seasonally adjusted
All businesses						
Quarterly average						
1963-64	132.4	14.0	95.5	241.9	1 355.9	..
1964-65	145.7	17.0	93.5	256.2	1,450.8	..
1965-66	135.7	18.2	85.7	239.6	1,434.3	..
1966-67	140.5	21.8	84.7	247.0	1,442.6	..
1967-68	167.1	24.2	88.3	279.6	1 574.7	..
Quarterly total						
1966-67—March	131.1	20.0	70.9	222.0	1,432.8	1 439.3
June	146.9	22.3	84.5	253.7	1,442.6	1,454.2
1967-68—September	159.4	19.5	81.8	260.7	1 462.6	1,472.3
December	173.6	27.6	105.8	307.0	1,529.5	1,502.7
March	163.7	22.5	76.6	262.7	1,534.8	1,541.5
June	171.7	27.4	89.1	288.2	1,574.7	1,587.3
1968-69—September	173.6	24.9	87.1	285.7	1,603.7	1,614.2
December	197.3	37.3	109.1	343.8	1,687.4	1,658.2
March	182.9	27.4	75.5	285.9	1,687.0	1,695.2

BALANCES OUTSTANDING(a), BY TYPE OF BUSINESS: STATES (\$ million)

At end of—	New South Wales(b)	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia(c)	Western Australia	Tasmania	Australia
Retail businesses							
1967—December	152.1	84.8	46.6	26.9	26.8	6.8	343.9
1968—March	147.9	82.9	45.9	26.3	26.4	6.4	335.9
June	150.1	82.8	45.6	25.9	26.8	6.1	337.3
September	149.0	83.0	44.4	25.3	26.3	6.6	334.6
December	160.9	85.2	46.0	27.0	27.4	7.1	353.6
1969—March	154.4	83.0	44.6	25.8	27.3	6.9	341.9
Non-retail finance businesses							
1967—December	441.1	276.8	200.6	108.5	117.6	40.9	1,185.6
1968—March	446.6	281.9	201.9	109.4	117.3	41.8	1,198.9
June	458.2	291.3	207.1	112.4	125.3	43.1	1,237.4
September	468.5	298.7	211.1	116.9	130.1	43.9	1,269.1
December	493.2	315.6	216.6	123.4	140.1	44.9	1,333.8
1969—March	499.1	322.6	216.8	125.5	135.9	45.1	1,345.0
All businesses							
1967—December	593.2	361.6	247.2	135.4	144.4	47.7	1,529.6
1968—March	594.5	364.8	247.8	135.7	143.7	48.2	1,534.7
June	608.3	374.1	252.8	138.3	152.1	49.2	1,574.7
September	617.5	381.7	255.5	142.2	156.5	50.4	1,603.8
December	654.1	400.8	262.6	150.4	167.4	52.0	1 687.4
1969—March	653.6	405.5	261.3	151.3	163.2	52.0	1,687.0

(a) Includes hiring charges, interest, insurance, etc

(b) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(c) Includes Northern Territory.

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES

AMOUNT FINANCED, BY COMMODITY GROUPS, COLLECTIONS AND BALANCES OUTSTANDING: AUSTRALIA

Non-retail finance businesses

(\$ million)

Period	Amount financed during period(a)					Collections during period(b)	Balances outstanding at end of period(b)	
	Motor vehicles etc.		Plant and machinery	Household and personal goods	Total		Original	Seasonally adjusted
	New	Used						
Monthly average	31.0		3.5	8.9	43.4	56.7	803.5	..
1960-61								
1961-62	14.7	14.1	3.5	7.2	39.4	45.0	756.3	..
1962-63	17.9	19.1	3.9	7.2	48.0	54.6	832.5	..
1963-64	21.1	21.2	4.4	7.0	53.7	58.6	939.2	..
1964-65	24.1	22.7	5.4	7.2	59.4	63.9	1,055.2	..
1965-66	22.6	21.0	5.8	7.0	56.4	68.5	1,074.0	..
1966-67	22.9	22.3	7.0	7.0	59.2	71.2	1,103.3	..
1967-68	28.3	25.7	8.0	7.3	69.1	75.6	1,237.4	..
1968-69	31.0	29.6	9.5	7.4	77.5	84.4	1,322.2	..
Monthly total								
1966-67—								
May	25.9	24.5	7.3	7.3	64.9	75.5	1,097.0	1,103.1
June	24.5	23.8	7.0	6.9	62.1	70.0	1,103.3	1,113.3
1967-68—								
July	24.3	22.9	6.5	6.5	60.1	72.1	1,109.5	1,117.9
August	28.3	27.2	6.6	7.0	69.2	73.8	1,122.0	1,128.3
September	27.7	24.4	5.6	6.9	64.6	69.4	1,132.9	1,136.0
October	29.7	27.7	8.9	7.5	73.7	75.3	1,150.9	1,148.2
November	30.6	27.3	10.8	8.0	76.8	75.1	1,171.2	1,159.1
December	29.1	23.6	7.3	8.5	68.6	71.0	1,185.6	1,167.6
January	26.8	25.2	6.8	7.1	65.8	73.2	1,195.5	1,179.9
February	27.2	25.1	7.5	7.2	67.1	86.7	1,193.0	1,192.5
March	29.0	25.5	7.4	7.2	69.1	81.1	1,198.9	1,205.6
April	28.7	25.3	8.1	6.8	68.9	75.5	1,210.1	1,217.7
May	32.1	29.0	9.2	7.9	78.2	82.0	1,226.6	1,233.1
June	26.0	24.9	8.9	7.3	67.1	72.0	1,237.4	1,248.4
1968-69—								
July	28.5	28.3	9.4	7.4	73.5	83.5	1,247.4	1,256.6
August	27.5	28.6	6.9	7.4	70.5	77.7	1,257.7	1,264.8
September	27.6	27.4	7.3	7.7	70.0	76.0	1,269.1	1,272.8
October	33.6	31.9	13.1	7.5	86.1	84.5	1,293.0	1,290.0
November	32.1	30.2	13.4	7.7	83.4	78.1	1,318.2	1,304.3
December	33.1	29.5	10.0	8.7	81.2	85.2	1,333.8	1,313.8
January	27.9	30.3	8.4	7.3	73.8	83.6	1,344.5	1,326.9
February	27.9	27.5	9.4	6.9	71.6	93.8	1,340.0	1,339.6
March	33.3	30.2	8.6	6.9	79.1	94.3	1,345.0	1,352.6
April	31.9	29.0	8.6	6.8	76.3	83.7	1,356.1	1,364.6
May	36.2	33.0	9.5	7.2	86.0	88.8	1,374.8	1,381.8
June	32.7	29.7	8.8	7.0	78.3	84.0	1,387.6	1,399.8
1969-70—								
July(c)	35.1	35.5	10.6	7.4	88.6	92.5	(d)1,410.2	(d)1,420.4

(a) Excludes hiring charges, interest, insurance, etc.

(b) Includes hiring charges, interest, insurance, etc.

(c) Preliminary estimates.

(d) Provisional estimate August 1969, \$m 1,424 (original); \$m 1,432 (seasonally adjusted).

WHOLESALE TRADE

An indication of fluctuations in the value of wholesale trade is given by the returns made under the Sales Tax Acts. With certain specified exemptions, goods sold by wholesale in Australia including imports are taxable. The returns do not relate to all wholesale trades as vendors trading only in exempt goods are not required to furnish returns. They do not necessarily cover a constant proportion of all trade. The effects of legislation and administrative changes on the recorded values of taxable and exempt goods respectively are somewhat uncertain but total recorded sales are affected in smaller degrees. Insufficient information is available to enable adjustment to be made to the crude figures on this account.

(\$ million)

Period	Net sales recorded		
	Taxable goods	Exempt goods	Total
Monthly average			
1958-59	148.4	358.7	507.1
1959-60	170.0	392.4	562.4
1960-61	173.4	407.9	581.3
1961-62	175.0	402.6	577.6
1962-63	191.9	437.8	629.7
1963-64	199.4	509.7	709.1
1964-65	215.7	568.2	784.0
1965-66	220.4	592.6	813.0
1966-67	236.5	650.2	886.7
1967-68	258.0	699.5	957.5
Taxable net sales at each rate of tax			
	2½%	12½%	15%
			25%
Monthly total			
1966-67—			
April	49.7	115.6	57.8
May	51.9	124.5	65.3
June	47.4	118.3	60.7
1967-68—			
July	47.1	121.5	60.8
August	58.6	138.4	68.5
September	54.9	133.5	65.0
October	59.2	143.5	76.3
November	69.0	148.3	76.4
December	67.7	142.7	76.1
January	39.6	109.6	55.4
February	52.9	120.4	64.9
March	54.4	130.4	73.4
April	61.3	125.2	71.2
May	69.8	140.1	81.2
June	46.0	122.4	69.7
1968-69—			
July	61.9	136.2	71.5
August	59.3	85.4	72.0
September	60.5	..	142.9
October	68.8	..	150.7
November	78.0	..	157.4
December	75.4	..	158.8
January	47.2	..	124.5
February	53.9	..	134.2
March	56.9	..	145.0
April	56.1	..	134.6
May	63.4	..	141.9
			80.1
			285.3
			760.2
			1,045.6
			991.1
			1,063.8
			738.3
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IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: ECONOMIC CLASS

(£'000 f.o.b. port of shipment)

	Producers' materials for use in—																	
Period	Building and construction		Rural industries		Manufacturing				Total (c)		Fuels and lubricants (d)		Auxiliary aids to production (e)		Munitions and war stores			
					Motor vehicle assembly (a) (b)		Other (c)											
	Class I. A	Class I. B	Class I. C (5)	Class I. C (1-4)	Class I.	Class II.	Class III.	Class VII										
Monthly average		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		
1959-60	5,378	3.5	1,338	0.9	13,184	8.6	61,160	39.7	81,060	52.7	4,356	2.8	4,850	3.1	2,070	1.3		
1960-61	6,866	3.8	1,956	1.1	14,284	7.9	73,798	40.7	96,904	53.5	4,444	2.5	6,424	3.6	1,302	0.7		
1961-62	4,558	3.1	2,044	1.4	8,124	5.5	57,706	39.3	72,432	49.3	4,280	2.9	5,164	3.5	1,592	1.1		
1962-63	5,614	3.1	2,080	1.2	15,990	8.9	68,536	38.1	92,220	51.3	5,064	2.8	5,754	3.2	1,192	0.7		
1963-64	6,416	3.3	2,706	1.4	17,376	8.8	75,092	38.0	101,590	51.5	4,800	2.4	6,018	3.0	2,312	1.2		
1964-65	8,342	3.5	3,428	1.4	19,115	8.1	90,421	38.2	121,306	51.2	4,502	1.9	7,020	3.0	4,479	1.9		
1965-66	7,808	3.2	3,363	1.4	17,321	7.2	84,651	35.0	113,141	46.8	4,032	1.7	7,706	3.2	7,159	3.0		
1966-67	7,228	2.9	4,559	1.8	15,175	6.1	88,910	35.5	115,872	46.3	2,566	1.0	8,051	3.2	9,886	4.0		
1967-68	8,324	3.1	4,928	1.8	18,403	6.9	94,348	35.2	126,003	47.0	2,253	0.8	6,925	2.6	10,436	3.9		
1968-69p	10,933	3.9	4,652	1.6	19,747	6.9	98,067	34.4	133,399	46.8	2,725	0.9	7,161	2.5	14,028	4.9		
Monthly total																		
1967-68—																		
July	7,774	3.4	4,874	2.1	17,953	7.7	79,559	34.2	110,160	47.4	2,595	1.1	7,778	3.3	3,393	1.5		
August	8,129	2.6	4,775	1.5	22,986	7.4	102,160	33.0	138,050	44.5	1,869	0.6	8,522	2.7	21,917	7.1		
September	7,900	2.9	5,095	1.8	20,632	7.6	93,726	34.4	127,353	46.7	2,517	0.9	7,094	2.6	4,847	1.8		
October	7,976	3.1	4,981	1.9	12,623	4.8	97,616	37.3	123,196	47.1	1,939	0.7	6,950	2.7	8,750	3.3		
November	8,146	3.1	6,435	2.4	12,176	4.6	90,569	34.3	117,326	44.4	1,058	0.4	5,690	2.2	18,584	7.0		
December	7,663	3.8	3,827	1.9	11,632	5.8	76,339	37.7	99,461	49.2	2,715	1.3	4,814	2.4	3,929	2.0		
January	8,046	2.9	4,298	1.6	21,587	7.9	97,165	35.6	131,096	48.0	2,090	0.8	6,652	2.4	10,962	4.0		
February	9,713	3.5	5,648	2.0	21,533	7.6	99,119	35.1	136,013	48.2	2,085	0.7	7,024	2.5	8,654	3.1		
March	9,019	3.2	5,168	1.8	20,242	7.2	95,580	33.9	130,009	46.1	2,110	0.7	7,510	2.7	6,095	2.2		
April	9,120	3.7	4,142	1.7	17,737	7.1	93,210	37.5	124,209	50.0	2,407	1.0	6,896	2.8	3,467	1.4		
May	9,459	3.0	4,925	1.5	19,760	6.2	110,357	34.8	144,501	45.5	3,574	1.1	7,050	2.2	20,212	6.4		
June	6,942	2.6	4,964	1.8	21,981	8.2	96,779	36.0	130,666	48.6	2,071	0.8	7,118	2.6	14,422	5.4		
1968-69p—																		
July	11,345	3.9	5,417	1.8	24,880	8.4	96,311	32.6	137,953	46.7	2,236	0.8	7,448	2.5	20,101	6.8		
August	11,109	3.8	5,031	1.7	20,186	6.8	104,570	35.4	140,896	47.7	1,244	0.4	7,042	2.4	5,935	2.0		
September	10,696	3.5	5,788	1.9	21,297	6.9	100,247	32.6	138,028	44.9	2,910	0.9	7,386	2.4	20,816	6.8		
October	11,707	3.6	4,929	1.5	17,470	5.4	103,185	31.9	137,291	42.4	3,637	1.1	8,144	2.5	51,330	15.9		
November	12,383	4.2	5,813	2.0	16,101	5.5	104,156	35.6	138,453	47.3	1,681	0.6	7,766	2.7	12,165	4.2		
December	9,692	3.7	3,563	1.4	16,613	6.4	92,080	35.6	121,948	47.1	3,218	1.2	6,397	2.5	6,992	2.7		
January	11,082	3.7	5,543	1.9	23,142	7.8	106,840	36.0	146,606	49.4	2,541	0.8	7,942	2.7	6,164	2.1		
February	10,215	4.0	4,564	1.8	17,198	6.6	89,648	34.6	121,625	47.0	3,150	1.2	7,569	2.9	5,497	2.2		
March	11,755	4.9	3,313	1.4	15,059	6.3	84,194	35.4	114,321	48.0	1,511	0.7	5,891	2.5	10,560	4.4		
April	9,942	3.6	4,571	1.6	21,807	7.8	95,547	34.3	131,867	47.3	2,669	1.0	6,718	2.4	10,322	3.7		
May	11,014	3.9	3,345	1.2	21,276	7.4	102,949	36.0	138,584	48.5	3,612	1.3	7,002	2.4	9,003	3.1		
June	10,259	3.5	3,944	1.4	21,934	7.6	97,079	33.6	133,216	46.1	4,293	1.5	6,631	2.3	9,452	3.3		
1969-70p																		
July	13,023	3.8	4,609	1.3	28,245	8.2	115,506	33.3	161,383	46.6	3,985	1.2	7,966	2.3	7,237	2.1		
August	10,405	3.5	4,461	1.5	26,640	9.0	96,827	32.7	138,333	46.7	3,477	1.2	7,573	2.6	5,692	1.9		

(a) Owing to insufficient information it is not possible to treat unassembled tractors and other machinery in a similar manner to motor vehicles and all such machinery is treated as capital equipment whether imported in an assembled or unassembled condition. (b) Includes replacement parts, completely knocked-down vehicles and components for the assembly of motor vehicles. (c) Excludes a percentage for piece-goods to be sold by retail and paper to be used solely for wrapping which are recorded in classes VI. E-J and III, respectively. (d) Excludes crude petroleum which is included in class I. C. (1-4). (e) Includes a percentage for paper used solely for wrapping. see note (c). (f) Includes H.M.A.S. 'Brisbane'.

IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: ECONOMIC CLASS

(\$'000 f.o.b. port of shipment)

Period	Capital equipment						Finished consumer goods							
	Producers' equipment		Transport equipment			Food, beverages and tobacco		Clothing and accessories		All other (a)		Total (a)		
			Complete road vehicles and assembled chassis(b)	Railway equipment, vessels and civil aircraft										
Class IV.		Class V. B		Class V. A, C, D		Class VI. A, B, C		Class VI. D		Class VI. E-J		Class VI.		
		%		%		%		%		%		%		%
Monthly average														
1959-60	27,660	17.9	2,126	1.4	4,906	3.2	6,116	4.0	930	0.6	20,032	13.0	27,078	17.6
1960-61	33,068	18.3	2,876	1.6	3,430	1.9	6,940	3.8	1,300	0.7	24,200	13.4	32,440	17.9
1961-62	28,330	19.3	2,070	1.4	3,150	2.1	6,604	4.5	1,054	0.7	22,416	15.2	30,074	20.4
1962-63	34,488	19.2	3,862	2.1	3,118	1.7	6,834	3.8	1,212	0.7	26,054	14.5	34,100	19.0
1963-64	39,274	19.9	4,740	2.4	3,270	1.7	7,648	3.9	1,394	0.7	26,276	13.3	35,318	17.9
1964-65	49,741	21.0	6,664	2.8	5,917	2.5	8,572	3.6	1,660	0.7	26,915	11.4	37,147	15.7
1965-66	55,966	23.1	6,223	2.6	7,689	3.2	9,131	3.8	1,763	0.7	28,712	11.9	39,606	16.4
1966-67	55,327	22.1	6,243	2.5	9,226	3.7	9,125	3.6	2,039	0.8	31,995	12.8	43,159	17.2
1967-68	58,289	21.8	7,418	2.8	8,456	3.1	9,467	3.5	2,580	1.0	36,089	13.5	48,136	18.0
1968-69p	60,367	21.2	9,066	3.2	6,155	2.2	10,567	3.7	2,954	1.0	38,624	13.6	52,145	18.3
Monthly total														
1967-68—														
July	54,114	23.3	5,756	2.5	7,055	3.0	7,885	3.4	2,358	1.0	31,421	13.5	41,664	17.9
August	69,004	22.3	7,820	2.5	8,278	2.7	9,792	3.2	3,370	1.1	41,283	13.3	54,445	17.6
September	58,498	21.5	7,088	2.6	16,036	5.9	8,726	3.2	2,938	1.1	37,407	13.7	49,071	18.0
October	59,066	22.6	6,273	2.4	5,044	1.9	11,078	4.2	2,316	0.9	37,047	14.2	50,441	19.3
November	50,833	19.2	6,037	2.3	12,811	4.7	10,673	4.0	2,100	0.8	39,051	14.8	51,824	19.6
December	42,950	21.2	5,428	2.7	6,672	3.3	7,712	3.8	2,204	1.1	26,348	13.0	36,264	17.9
January	61,374	22.5	8,189	3.0	5,609	2.1	10,060	3.7	2,893	1.0	34,247	12.5	47,200	17.2
February	63,467	22.5	8,129	2.9	6,492	2.3	9,742	3.4	3,304	1.2	37,246	13.2	50,292	17.8
March	67,365	23.9	8,287	2.9	13,153	4.7	9,834	3.5	3,238	1.1	34,478	12.2	47,550	16.8
April	53,866	21.7	8,546	3.4	4,059	2.0	9,114	3.7	2,302	0.9	32,735	13.1	44,151	17.7
May	61,399	19.4	8,985	2.8	10,119	3.2	11,434	3.6	2,128	0.7	47,984	15.1	61,546	19.4
June	57,539	21.4	8,483	3.2	5,141	1.9	7,550	2.8	1,816	0.7	33,824	12.6	43,190	16.1
1968-69p—														
July	61,986	21.0	8,651	2.9	6,043	2.1	11,810	4.0	2,468	0.9	36,391	12.3	50,669	17.2
August	64,063	21.7	10,374	3.5	11,699	4.0	9,755	3.3	3,382	1.1	40,890	13.9	54,027	18.3
September	65,165	21.2	11,225	3.7	5,058	1.6	12,337	4.0	3,629	1.2	41,048	13.3	57,014	18.5
October	56,393	17.4	9,335	2.9	4,896	1.5	10,858	3.4	2,593	0.8	39,274	12.1	52,725	16.3
November	60,127	20.5	8,557	2.9	11,510	3.9	10,314	3.5	2,447	0.8	39,647	13.6	52,408	17.9
December	56,633	21.9	9,473	3.7	4,234	1.6	11,452	4.4	2,304	0.9	36,221	14.0	49,977	19.3
January	67,409	22.7	8,583	2.9	6,672	2.2	9,959	3.4	3,658	1.2	37,358	12.6	50,975	17.2
February	55,240	21.3	7,467	2.9	3,934	1.5	10,840	4.2	3,697	1.4	39,843	15.4	54,380	21.0
March	47,359	19.9	7,862	3.3	3,054	1.3	9,880	4.2	3,385	1.4	34,162	14.3	47,427	19.9
April	61,732	22.1	8,894	3.2	3,837	1.4	11,017	4.0	2,948	1.0	38,712	13.9	52,677	18.9
May	63,718	22.3	8,571	3.0	6,442	2.3	9,472	3.3	2,185	0.8	37,185	13.0	48,842	17.1
June	64,579	22.3	9,803	3.4	6,475	2.2	9,114	3.2	2,756	0.9	42,757	14.8	54,627	18.9
1969-70 p														
July	74,539	21.5	10,037	2.9	20,107	5.8	10,711	3.1	3,475	1.0	46,873	13.5	61,059	17.6
August	61,364	20.7	10,552	3.6	6,296	2.1	9,390	3.2	4,029	1.4	49,345	16.6	62,764	21.2

(a) Includes a percentage of piece-goods to be sold by retail, see note (c), page 16. (b) Completely knocked-down vehicles, components for the assembly of motor vehicles and replacement parts are recorded in class I. C (5).

IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: DEGREE OF MANUFACTURE

(f.o.b. port of shipment)

Period	Producers' materials (class I.) (a)			Finished consumer goods (class VI.) (b)			Total imports of merchandise (all classes)				Total imports	
	Crude	Simply transformed	Elaborately transformed	Crude	Simply transformed	Elaborately transformed	Crude	Simply transformed	Elaborately transformed	Total	Original	Seasonally adjusted
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$m	\$m
Monthly average												
1959-60	25,668	12,062	43,348	1,392	3,074	22,612	27,060	22,262	104,784	154,106	155	..
1960-61	26,790	14,754	55,378	1,570	3,142	27,694	28,360	25,566	126,962	180,888	181	..
1961-62	23,408	11,174	37,940	1,466	3,016	25,594	24,874	20,988	101,230	147,092	147	..
1962-63	26,358	14,726	51,206	1,566	3,104	29,430	27,924	26,102	125,772	179,798	180	..
1963-64	29,032	15,670	57,076	2,128	3,090	30,116	31,160	27,040	139,122	197,322	198	..
1964-65	31,219	21,372	68,714	2,214	3,617	31,316	33,433	33,524	169,819	236,776	242	..
1965-66	31,350	16,913	64,879	2,483	3,665	33,458	33,833	28,585	179,104	241,522	245	..
1966-67	33,797	17,689	64,386	2,370	3,539	37,250	36,167	27,976	186,187	250,330	254	..
1967-68	34,960	18,405	72,638	2,213	3,697	42,226	37,173	28,662	202,081	267,916	272	..
1968-69p	35,350	19,244	78,805	2,751	3,996	45,398	38,101	30,575	216,370	285,046	289	..
Monthly total												
1967-68—												
July	30,191	15,727	64,242	2,218	2,883	36,563	32,409	25,086	175,020	232,515	236	240
August	32,613	19,757	85,680	2,508	3,951	47,986	35,121	31,048	243,736	309,905	314	285
September	33,702	19,527	74,124	2,034	3,690	43,347	35,736	30,215	206,553	272,504	276	276
October	34,646	18,939	69,611	2,491	3,978	43,972	37,137	29,036	195,486	261,659	265	269
November	38,714	15,673	62,939	2,433	4,281	45,110	41,147	24,699	198,317	264,163	270	261
December	28,522	16,647	54,292	1,566	2,509	32,189	30,088	24,937	147,208	202,233	207	236
January	34,414	19,152	77,530	2,176	3,723	41,301	36,590	29,492	207,090	273,172	277	261
February	38,997	17,100	79,916	2,185	3,306	44,801	41,182	27,124	213,850	282,156	287	293
March	32,158	20,134	77,717	2,219	4,685	40,646	34,377	31,517	216,185	282,079	286	289
April	39,036	16,064	69,109	1,730	3,699	38,722	40,766	26,215	181,620	248,601	252	261
May	41,198	21,793	81,510	3,064	4,723	53,759	44,262	34,859	238,265	317,386	322	306
June	35,325	20,353	74,988	1,938	2,939	38,313	37,263	29,721	201,646	268,630	273	288
1968-69p—												
July	34,090	20,410	83,453	3,785	4,727	42,157	37,875	32,283	224,929	295,087	299	290
August	39,034	19,856	82,006	3,380	3,463	47,184	42,414	29,152	223,714	295,280	299	277
September	36,162	21,920	79,946	2,844	5,432	48,738	39,006	35,209	233,387	307,602	311	309
October	35,061	23,493	78,737	2,378	4,072	46,275	37,439	35,993	250,319	323,751	327	314
November	40,689	18,908	78,856	2,159	3,606	46,643	42,848	29,061	220,759	292,668	297	302
December	30,831	16,494	74,623	3,216	4,409	42,352	34,047	28,474	196,351	258,872	263	290
January	37,755	19,945	88,906	2,101	3,773	45,101	39,856	31,324	225,712	296,892	300	282
February	34,744	15,746	71,135	2,725	4,982	46,673	37,469	27,773	193,610	258,862	263	288
March	31,836	16,862	65,623	2,805	3,411	41,211	34,641	25,645	177,699	237,985	242	240
April	33,213	18,478	80,176	2,808	3,905	45,964	36,021	29,580	213,115	278,716	283	296
May	38,926	19,569	80,089	2,229	3,541	43,072	41,155	31,429	213,190	285,774	290	277
June	31,859	19,248	82,109	2,580	2,635	49,412	34,439	30,985	223,652	289,076	293	304
1969-70 p												
July	41,506	23,773	96,104	2,910	4,089	54,060	44,416	37,558	264,339	346,313	350	330
August	34,147	19,100	85,086	2,146	3,186	57,432	36,293	30,802	228,956	296,051	303	300

(a) See footnote (c), page 16.

(b) See footnote (a), page 17.

Note. Class II. consists entirely of goods 'simply transformed' and classes IV., V. and VII. entirely of goods 'more elaborately transformed'. Class III. is about equally divided between goods 'simply' and 'more elaborately transformed'.

EXPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES

(f.o.b. port of shipment)

Period	Meats	Dairy produce	Wheat, and flour	Dried fresh and preserved fruit	Sugar	Ores and concentrates		Road motor vehicles	Wool		Total exports of merchandise	Total exports	
						Non-ferrous	Iron		Original	Seasonally adjusted		Original	Seasonally adjusted
Monthly average	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$m	\$m
1959-60 . . .	14,772	7,355	12,827	5,124	4,445	3,724	4	n.a.	64,360	..	154,326	156	..
1960-61 . . .	12,044	5,489	20,258	4,873	5,845	4,613	44		55,742	..	154,674	161	..
1961-62 . . .	14,944	5,917	26,670	5,940	5,649	4,037	74		62,088	..	177,980	180	..
1962-63 . . .	18,810	6,443	20,715	6,211	7,587	3,703	43		63,272	..	178,172	179	..
1963-64 . . .	20,292	7,329	33,712	7,371	13,042	4,744	44		80,080	..	230,192	232	..
1964-65 . . .	23,891	8,702	27,902	6,852	9,390	6,751	91	3,830	67,256	..	214,930	221	..
1965-66 . . .	23,979	7,423	24,097	8,673	7,827	7,583	251		65,404	..	219,460	227	..
1966-67 . . .	23,235	9,162	32,077	7,877	8,295	8,359	3,834		67,212	..	244,549	252	..
1967-68 . . .	23,263	7,270	30,569	8,747	8,132	10,226	8,589	3,905	59,645	..	244,599	254	..
1968-69p . .	23,835	6,147	23,405	7,707	10,185	11,868	14,960	4,912	66,382	..	269,540	281	..
Monthly total													
1967-68—													
July . . .	19,793	4,767	33,303	8,933	7,076	10,834	7,339	4,728	61,715	66,025	240,917	249	266
August . . .	27,889	6,297	36,988	8,336	10,280	12,193	7,481	2,926	43,861	61,490	237,473	248	262
September . .	21,277	7,511	46,928	7,812	10,129	8,492	6,627	4,433	40,188	60,886	238,226	246	266
October . . .	29,234	10,784	31,785	7,923	14,469	6,758	6,909	3,564	58,266	58,571	256,229	266	256
November . . .	26,445	11,726	40,087	4,441	15,953	11,284	7,477	3,213	74,330	58,703	276,728	284	259
December . . .	21,318	8,944	27,476	4,231	5,899	10,743	7,515	4,738	57,858	54,228	226,159	239	254
January . . .	22,463	6,636	22,670	3,408	6,019	6,529	7,125	2,796	62,333	50,505	207,993	216	207
February . . .	22,579	7,715	37,761	4,584	6,612	13,994	11,534	1,599	67,093	61,196	252,210	259	251
March . . .	20,989	7,075	12,780	6,970	5,928	8,860	9,931	3,666	61,785	59,416	226,135	234	246
April . . .	17,880	5,161	25,200	14,611	4,219	12,579	9,821	4,220	59,173	59,107	229,990	240	247
May . . .	26,786	5,256	22,004	18,765	6,478	9,055	10,684	5,809	69,298	70,645	284,948	293	261
June . . .	22,502	5,372	29,843	14,953	4,521	11,387	10,627	5,164	59,839	62,295	258,191	272	287
1968-69p—													
July . . .	25,350	4,454	18,518	12,510	6,264	9,860	11,054	5,071	63,163	61,145	254,882	264	258
August . . .	28,279	4,617	27,953	9,481	12,952	13,808	13,742	4,632	40,405	60,851	257,418	268	295
September . .	24,637	5,366	23,549	5,361	18,476	9,115	11,666	5,547	37,307	55,352	233,723	239	258
October . . .	28,890	11,328	21,235	6,303	19,523	13,562	14,681	5,510	70,586	66,278	286,681	298	274
November . . .	15,317	6,472	17,833	3,397	6,029	11,810	15,902	4,333	73,395	64,100	249,570	263	254
December . . .	23,257	11,479	19,149	3,177	23,459	12,073	13,271	4,496	82,622	72,539	294,283	302	308
January . . .	23,284	9,259	20,692	4,706	5,874	8,080	13,460	4,075	89,427	72,883	267,981	283	271
February . . .	21,916	7,072	29,947	2,559	8,472	12,321	13,275	4,806	70,900	69,103	270,884	289	292
March . . .	18,627	3,363	27,833	4,915	4,588	8,687	16,985	4,038	75,393	71,058	263,963	275	289
April . . .	18,056	3,556	27,698	13,339	3,848	13,071	16,002	4,376	67,830	67,425	273,978	283	291
May . . .	26,649	3,153	21,539	13,771	9,595	15,999	17,555	5,756	57,236	60,439	287,423	299	279
June . . .	31,764	3,649	24,926	12,967	3,137	14,028	21,922	6,307	68,324	68,530	293,701	306	306
1969-70p—													
July . . .	47,723	5,054	32,149	8,224	4,421	12,644	20,841	5,741	78,019	72,915	340,433	353	344
August . . .	45,430	4,306	41,209	3,675	16,726	12,623	23,711	7,829	44,450	71,579	322,547	336	386

EXPORT PRICE INDEX

The table below sets out Export Price Index numbers on the reference base: Year 1959-60=100. A full description of the index and its relationship with the previous index is given in Commonwealth Year Book No. 54, 1968.

(Base of each index: Year 1959-60=100)

Period	Wool	Meats	Dairy produce	Cereals	Dried and canned fruits	Sugar	Hides and tallow	Metals and coal	Gold	All groups
1959-60	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1960-61	92	104	82	99	99	101	92	97	100	95
1961-62	97	100	81	106	95	91	84	91	100	96
1962-63	104	101	88	107	90	107	72	89	100	101
1963-64	120	105	93	107	98	175	73	101	100	114
1964-65	102	110	94	107	100	100	91	123	101	105
1965-66	107	120	86	107	102	84	107	122	101	107
1966-67	103	124	84	114	101	67	89	117	101	105
1967-68	95	125	79	109	95	67	67	120	104	100
1968-69	99	p131	72	r104	rp96	p72	73	123	117	rp102
1967-68—										
July	98	127	85	113	99	59	72	116	101	102
August	92	127	85	112	99	61	70	117	101	99
September	92	126	85	111	99	73	69	117	101	99
October	92	128	85	112	98	122	68	117	101	101
November	92	127	82	108	99	72	65	116	101	98
December	94	121	75	106	98	63	65	123	101	99
January	94	126	75	105	97	58	65	119	101	98
February	98	124	75	106	90	60	66	122	101	101
March	98	121	75	109	90	62	66	125	100	101
April	98	121	74	107	91	61	65	125	105	101
May	98	122	73	108	91	56	64	119	111	100
June	98	126	73	109	92	62	65	120	119	101
1968-69—										
July	96	127	73	107	p95	81	64	120	119	p101
August	96	128	73	107	p95	86	65	118	107	p101
September	98	128	73	107	p95	95	66	120	111	p102
October	102	134	73	106	p95	66	66	120	114	p104
November	104	130	72	107	p95	53	68	119	112	p104
December	100	p127	72	105	p95	54	70	121	112	p102
January	100	p127	72	103	p97	p69	71	121	116	p102
February	100	p129	72	103	p97	p65	74	123	121	p102
March	98	p128	72	102	p98	p66	79	123	122	p101
April	98	p130	72	101	p99	p75	84	127	124	p102
May	98	p136	72	102	rp97	p79	86	128	r125	p103
June	96	p144	72	r101	rp97	p78	86	130	r121	rp103
1969-70—										
July	p92	p150	72	101	p99	p86	86	134	119	p102
August										

INDEXES OF VALUES OF EXPORTS AND IMPORTS AT CONSTANT PRICES

The tables below present quarterly and annual indexes of the values of Australian exports and imports of merchandise at average 1966-67 prices. A description of these measures is given in the first issue of the bulletin *Exports and Imports of Merchandise at Constant Prices* (Ref. No. 8. 21) published on 10 October 1968.

EXPORTS OF MERCHANDISE (Base: Year 1966-67 = 100)

	Food and live animals			Total food and live animals	Wool and sheepskins	Metal-liferous ores and metal scrap	Metal manufactures, machinery, transport equipment	Other exports	All exports of merchandise(a)	
	Meat	Cereals	Other (dairy produce, fruit, sugar, etc.)						Original	Seasonally adjusted
Percent of total value of exports in 1966-67(b)	9.5	15.8	12.5	37.8	29.7	5.6	14.2	12.7	100.0	..
1963-64	Not available								90	..
1964-65									89	..
1965-66									90	..
1966-67	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	..
1967-68	100	94	99	97	102	147	100	121	105	..
1968-69p	99	80	102	92	108	211	115	147	113	..
Quarter ended										
1966-67—										
March	81	134	85	105	106	103	86	92	101	104
June	96	131	125	120	104	123	99	100	110	106
1967-68—										
September	95	115	94	103	82	140	103	113	100	105
December	111	102	104	105	110	134	93	123	109	105
March	98	81	88	88	109	149	90	112	101	104
June	96	80	111	94	109	167	112	136	111	107
1968-69pr—										
September	104	77	100	91	82	185	126	138	105	110
December	95	64	133	95	120	211	108	156	119	115
March	92	94	78	88	121	194	106	132	112	115
June	103	85	95	93	107	252	118	162	118	114

IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE (Base: Year 1966-67 = 100)

	Food, beverages and tobacco	Fuels	Basic materials	Chemicals (including plastics)	Textiles, fabrics, etc.	Metal manufactures, machinery, transport equipment	Other imports	All imports of merchandise(a)	
								Original	Seasonally adjusted
Percent of total value of imports in 1966-67(b)	5.2	8.2	7.4	9.9	8.0	43.3	18.0	100.0	..
1963-64	Not available							81	..
1964-65								98	..
1965-66								98	..
1966-67	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	..
1967-68	99	100	107	109	107	111	111	109	..
1968-69p	110	104	106	123	114	116	120	115	..
Quarter ended									
1966-67—									
March	121	96	95	104	108	96	101	100	100
June	97	106	103	102	104	109	101	105	105
1967-68—									
September	90	94	102	107	113	114	108	109	104
December	94	102	105	93	95	94	106	98	103
March	109	98	106	122	113	120	114	115	115
June	103	107	113	115	108	116	115	113	113
1968-69pr—									
September	112	100	120	124	118	125	126	121	116
December(c)	112	106	108	131	116	121	119	119	125
March(d)	110	107	94	116	113	105	113	108	108
June	106	105	103	124	111	114	121	114	114

(a) The series shown for years prior to 1966-67 are not strictly comparable to the series shown from 1966-67 onwards (see the bulletin referred to at the head of this page). (b) These percentages may be used in analysing the contribution of each group to movements in the total index. (c) Includes, in October 1968, H.M.A.S. 'Brisbane' valued at \$36.8 million. (d) Imports in February and March 1969 were affected by industrial disputes in ports on the East Coast of U.S.A. and Canada.

WHOLESALE PRICE (BASIC MATERIALS AND FOODSTUFFS) INDEX

The weighting system adopted in this index is based on estimates of the average annual consumption of included commodities in Australia in 1928-29 to 1934-35. The validity of the weighting and the representativeness of the index have become increasingly affected by changes in usage and in industrial structure. New series of wholesale price index numbers relating to materials used and articles produced by defined areas of the economy are being developed. The first of these indexes, referring to materials used in building other than house building, was published in statistical bulletin Ref. No. 9. 6 of 23 April 1969 (see pages 23 and 24). Work continues on the preparation of two further measures, relating to materials used in house building and in manufacturing industry respectively. Taken together these first three series will, to a considerable extent, constitute a currently representative replacement for the Wholesale Price (Basic Materials and Foodstuffs) Index, which in the meantime will continue to be published in the shortened form shown below. This is to meet the needs of those who, for special purposes, require the particular indexes included. However, it should be noted that the Building Materials group has been largely superseded by the new index referred to above.

Commodities in the Wholesale Price (Basic Materials and Foodstuffs) Index are priced in their primary or basic form wherever possible. The prices used have, in the main, been obtained directly from manufacturers and merchants.

(Base of each index: Average of three years ended June 1939 = 100)

Period	Basic materials			Foodstuffs and tobacco	Basic materials and foodstuffs Total all groups (c)
	Metals and coal (a)	Building materials (b)	Total (b) (c)		
1958-59	392	423	340	332	336
1959-60	395	431	347	348	348
1960-61	399	439	346	372	360
1961-62	392	439	340	332	336
1962-63	388	439	336	342	340
1963-64	383	473	339	352	346
1964-65	391	503	345	364	355
1965-66	390	507	355	385	371
1966-67	396	511	362	401	383
1967-68	397	514	361	411	388
1968-69	407	537	370	405	389
1967-68—					
July	394	509	358	427	395
August	394	510	358	432	398
September	394	510	360	422	393
October	394	511	360	397	380
November	395	511	360	396	380
December	398	511	360	396	380
January	398	511	361	396	380
February	398	513	362	396	380
March	399	515	363	400	383
April	400	519	364	419	394
May	399	519	364	428	399
June	396	523	364	428	399
1968-69—					
July	394	524	364	425	397
August	395	525	363	412	390
September	397	528	364	407	387
October	400	532	367	401	385
November	403	533	368	396	383
December	402	533	367	396	383
January	408	534	369	397	384
February	411	541	372	399	387
March	411	543	373	406	391
April	416	550	377	409	394
May	420	550	378	408	394
June	423	553	379	405	393
1969-70—					
July	r429	555	rp381	406	rp395
August	p429	555	p379	405	p393

(a) Special purpose index for the 'Metals and coal' group excluding coal and briquettes: August 1969, 529. (b) See paragraph 1 of notes at head of table, and pages 23 and 24. (c) In addition to the groups shown, includes Oils, fats and waxes; Textiles; Chemicals; and Rubber and hides.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING OTHER THAN HOUSE BUILDING

A detailed description of the index is contained in statistical bulletin Ref. No. 9.6 of 23 April 1969. Copies are available on request.

GROUP INDEX NUMBERS

WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES

(Base of each Index: Year 1966-67 = 100.0)(a)

Period	Concrete mix, cement, sand, etc.	Cement products	Bricks, stone, etc.	Timber, board and joinery	Steel and iron products	Aluminium products	Other metal products	Plumbing fixtures	Miscellaneous materials	Electrical installation materials (b) (c)	Mechanical services components (b)	All groups
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68	101.5	102.2	103.7	103.0	102.3	101.4	105.9	102.8	102.3	100.9	101.4	102.2
1968-69	103.5	106.8	108.2	107.2	106.1	103.9	106.8	103.3	103.2	102.1	107.7	105.6
1967-68—												
July	101.3	100.9	101.6	101.2	101.2	101.2	96.0	100.7	101.3	97.5	100.0	100.6
August	101.3	101.0	102.9	101.6	101.3	101.2	95.9	101.4	101.4	97.6	99.3	100.7
September	101.3	101.2	103.1	102.7	101.4	101.2	96.5	103.5	101.6	97.6	99.9	101.0
October	101.3	101.4	103.8	102.8	101.5	101.2	98.4	103.3	101.5	97.6	99.9	101.1
November	101.5	102.0	103.8	103.1	101.6	101.2	110.8	103.3	102.0	102.2	100.4	102.1
December	101.6	102.0	104.1	103.1	101.6	101.2	110.8	103.3	102.7	102.2	100.4	102.1
January	101.6	102.0	104.1	103.1	101.6	101.4	110.8	103.3	102.7	102.2	100.6	102.2
February	101.3	102.0	104.1	103.2	103.0	101.4	110.8	103.3	102.8	104.0	102.2	102.9
March	101.5	102.1	104.1	103.3	103.3	101.4	116.3	103.3	102.7	104.0	102.7	103.3
April	101.6	103.4	104.1	103.7	103.5	101.4	116.3	103.3	102.8	104.0	102.7	103.5
May	101.6	104.0	104.1	103.9	103.6	101.3	106.4	102.6	102.8	100.9	104.0	103.2
June	101.7	104.3	104.9	104.2	103.7	102.4	101.2	102.6	102.7	100.9	104.8	103.3
1968-69—												
July	101.9	104.3	105.1	104.2	103.9	102.9	100.3	102.5	103.3	100.9	105.3	103.5
August	102.1	104.4	105.5	104.8	103.9	103.0	100.4	102.0	103.3	99.0	105.6	103.5
September	102.1	104.5	105.6	105.0	104.5	102.9	101.3	102.0	103.3	99.0	106.0	103.8
October	102.1	104.8	106.5	105.3	105.0	104.0	102.3	102.0	103.1	99.0	107.0	104.2
November	102.0	105.4	108.7	106.4	105.5	104.0	102.8	102.2	103.1	100.2	108.1	104.9
December	104.5	106.9	109.1	107.4	105.7	104.3	105.3	103.0	102.7	100.2	108.1	105.5
January	104.6	107.1	109.2	107.5	106.8	104.4	105.4	102.6	102.5	100.2	108.1	105.9
February	104.7	107.5	109.4	108.0	107.1	104.1	109.5	102.5	103.3	104.1	108.3	106.5
March	102.8	107.8	109.6	108.5	107.3	104.0	109.9	104.5	103.3	104.6	108.7	106.6
April	105.0	109.1	109.6	109.2	107.5	104.1	111.7	105.3	103.4	105.0	108.9	107.2
May	105.0	109.7	109.6	109.4	108.0	104.4	114.8	105.3	103.6	105.7	109.2	107.6
June	105.1	109.9	109.9	110.1	107.9	105.1	117.9	105.3	103.6	107.2	109.4	107.9
969-70—												
July p	105.3	110.1	110.1	110.1	107.9	105.3	118.6	107.8	103.9	108.4	109.5	108.2
August p	106.8	110.3	110.1	110.5	107.9	105.6	121.2	108.4	104.3	109.3	109.7	108.6

(a) Figures are shown to one decimal place to avoid distortions that would occur in rounding off the index numbers to the nearest whole number. (b) The whole of the group Electrical Installation Materials and the majority of the items in the group Mechanical Services Components are based on Sydney and Melbourne price series. (c) The indicator used for this group is the Wholesale Price Index of Electrical Installation Materials which was issued quarterly up to February 1969, when monthly compilation was commenced.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING OTHER THAN HOUSE BUILDING

See note at top of page 23. The separate city indexes shown below measure price movements within each city individually. They do not compare price levels as between cities.

ALL GROUPS INDEX NUMBERS—SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES

(Base of each Index: Year 1966-67=100.0) (a)

Period	State capital cities—separately and combined						Weighted average of six State capital cities
	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68	102.6	101.7	102.2	101.8	102.0	102.3	102.2
1968-69	106.5	105.0	105.1	105.0	104.7	105.1	105.6
1967-68—							
July	100.9	100.3	100.6	100.2	100.6	100.8	100.6
August	101.1	100.2	100.8	100.4	100.6	100.8	100.7
September	101.6	100.4	101.0	100.5	100.9	100.9	101.0
October	101.7	100.5	101.1	100.6	101.2	101.0	101.1
November	102.6	101.4	102.1	101.6	102.0	101.9	102.1
December	102.6	101.5	102.2	101.7	102.2	101.9	102.1
January	102.6	101.6	102.2	101.8	102.2	101.9	102.2
February	103.1	102.7	103.2	102.9	102.6	103.2	102.9
March	103.6	102.9	103.3	103.2	102.9	103.5	103.3
April	103.7	103.1	103.4	103.2	102.9	103.8	103.5
May	103.6	102.8	103.1	102.9	102.6	103.6	103.2
June	103.8	102.8	103.1	103.0	102.9	103.8	103.3
1968-69—							
July	104.1	102.9	103.2	103.4	103.1	103.8	103.5
August	104.2	102.9	103.0	103.3	103.2	103.7	103.5
September	104.6	103.2	103.1	103.4	103.5	103.8	103.8
October	104.9	103.9	103.5	103.7	103.8	104.0	104.2
November	105.6	104.6	104.3	104.2	104.4	104.5	104.9
December	106.5	104.8	105.5	104.6	104.5	104.7	105.5
January	106.8	105.2	105.9	105.1	104.8	105.1	105.9
February	107.5	105.8	106.5	105.8	105.5	105.5	106.5
March	107.9	106.0	104.9	106.4	105.7	106.1	106.6
April	108.3	106.4	106.7	106.5	105.8	106.1	107.2
May	108.8	106.6	107.5	106.9	106.0	106.6	107.6
June	109.2	107.1	107.6	107.1	106.4	106.9	107.9
1969-70—							
July p	109.3	107.3	108.0	107.4	106.8	107.4	108.2
August p	109.7	108.2	108.0	107.6	107.2	107.8	108.6

(a) Figures are shown to one decimal place to avoid distortions that would occur in rounding off the index numbers to the nearest whole number.

PRICE INDEXES: VARIOUS COUNTRIES

(Source: *Monthly Bulletin of Statistics* of the Statistical Office of the United Nations.)

The index numbers show fluctuations in prices in each country and do not measure relative price levels as between countries.

The items priced and the levels at which they are priced in these indexes vary widely according to the intended purposes of the indexes of the various countries. A short dash on each side of an index number (e.g., -101-) indicates that two series have been linked at that period.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES

(Base of each index: Year 1963=100)

Period	Australia	Canada	France	Federal Republic of Germany (a)	Japan	New Zealand	South Africa	United Kingdom (b)	United States of America
1962	98.1	98.1	96.5	99.5	98.2	96.8	98.7	97.7	100.3
1963	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1964	102.3	100.3	101.6	101.1	100.2	104.5	102.3	104.1	100.2
1965	105.8	102.4	103.1	103.5	-101.0-	105.6	105.6	105.4	102.2
1966	110.2	106.1	105.4	105.3	103.4	106.7	109.6	108.0	105.6
1967	112.5	108.0	104.6	104.4	105.3	106.9	112.3	107.5	105.8
1968	113.2	110.3	106	98.8	106.1	114.8	113.6	117.3	108.4
Quarter									
1967—									
December	110.8	108.7	105.2	104.2	106.2	107.6	112.8	112.4	106.1
1968—									
March	111.1	109.3	105.1	99.2	106.5	112.5	112.9	118.5	107.5
June	115.8	109.9	104.4	98.5	105.7	113.2	113.1	116.4	108.2
September	114.1	110.5	106	98.5	105.8	115.1	113.7	116.1	108.7
December	111.9	111.6	110	98.9	106.4	118.2	114.8	118.3	109.2
1969—									
March	112.9	114.1	112	99.6	106.8	118.1	115.0	119.6	110.9
June				100.1	107.7	121.0	116.0	120.3	112.3

(a) Calculation of Wholesale Price Index including value added tax has been discontinued. Therefore the index numbers include turnover tax instead of value added tax for all years shown. (b) New series.

CONSUMER (RETAIL) PRICE INDEXES

(Base of each index: Year 1963=100)

Period	Australia (a)	Canada	France	Federal Republic of Germany	Japan	New Zealand	South Africa (b)	United Kingdom	United States of America (c)
1963	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1964	102	102	103	102	104	104	103	103	-101-
1965	106	104	106	106	111	-107-	106	108	103
1966	110	108	109	110	116	110	110	113	106
1967	113	112	112	111	121	117	114	115	109
1968	116	117	117	113	128	122	116	121	114
Quarter									
1968—									
March	115	115	115	112	126	119	115	118	112
June	116	116	116	113	126	121	115	121	113
September	116	117	117	112	127	122	116	121	114
December	118	118	120	113	130	124	117	123	116
1969—									
March	118	119	122	115	130	126	118	125	117
June	119	122	123		133	127	119	127	119

(a) Consumer Price Index converted to base: 1963=100.

(b) White population.

(c) Prior to 1964, excluding Alaska and Hawaii.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

The Consumer Price Index has been compiled for periods from September quarter 1948. A detailed description of the index is contained in Labour Report No. 52, 1965 and 1966.

The fifth link was effected as at December quarter 1968 and at the same time the reference base year was changed to 1966-67. For further details see statistical bulletin of Consumer Price Index, March quarter 1969 (Ref. No. 9.1).

GROUP INDEX NUMBERS WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES (Base of each index: Year 1966-67 = 100.0)(a)

Period	Food	Clothing and drapery	Housing	Household supplies and equipment	Miscellaneous	All groups
1959-60	84.7	91.5	75.4	95.4	83.2	85.7
1960-61	90.2	93.4	80.8	96.6	85.5	89.2
1961-62	88.6	94.4	84.0	97.9	86.1	89.6
1962-63	87.8	94.7	86.5	97.7	86.6	89.8
1963-64	89.0	95.3	89.1	96.4	87.3	90.6
1964-65	93.9	96.8	92.0	97.2	91.4	94.0
1965-66	98.4	97.9	95.9	98.9	95.8	97.4
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68	104.7	102.2	104.5	101.2	102.8	103.3
1968-69	105.8	104.3	109.1	102.9	107.5	106.0
Quarter						
1963-64—						
March	89.0	95.2	89.2	96.5	87.4	90.7
June	90.8	95.9	90.2	96.8	87.5	91.5
1964-65—						
September	92.3	96.2	90.9	96.2	89.4	92.6
December	93.3	96.6	91.7	96.7	91.7	93.7
March	94.0	96.9	92.2	97.8	92.2	94.3
June	96.0	97.3	93.3	98.1	92.2	95.2
1965-66—						
September	98.4	97.3	94.1	98.5	92.6	96.2
December	98.6	97.6	95.6	98.8	95.9	97.4
March	97.8	97.8	96.2	98.8	97.2	97.6
June	98.8	98.7	97.8	99.5	97.3	98.4
1966-67—						
September	98.7	98.9	98.5	99.7	98.7	98.8
December	99.4	99.8	99.5	100.0	100.0	99.7
March	100.0	100.2	100.1	99.9	100.3	100.1
June	101.9	101.1	101.8	100.4	101.0	101.3
1967-68—						
September	104.8	101.4	102.9	100.6	101.8	102.7
December	103.9	102.1	104.2	101.1	102.8	103.0
March	104.6	102.3	104.7	101.1	103.1	103.4
June	105.6	102.8	106.0	101.9	103.6	104.2
1968-69—						
September	105.3	103.3	106.7	102.1	105.1	104.6
December	105.5	104.1	108.7	102.7	107.3	105.7
March	105.7	104.4	109.7	103.0	108.5	106.4
June	106.6	105.2	111.2	103.7	108.9	107.2

(a) Figures appearing after the decimal point possess little significance for general statistical purposes. They are inserted to avoid distortions that would occur in rounding off the figures to the nearest whole number.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

See note at top of page 26. The separate city indexes shown below measure price movements within each city individually. They do not compare price levels as between cities.

The fifth link was effected as at December quarter 1968 and at the same time the reference base year was changed to 1966-67. For further details see statistical bulletin of Consumer Price Index, March quarter 1969 (Ref. No. 9.1).

ALL GROUPS INDEX NUMBERS

SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES AND CANBERRA

(Base of each index: Year 1966-67 = 100.0)^(a)

Period	State capital cities—separately and combined							Canberra
	Weighted average of six State capital cities	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	
1959-60	85.7	86.5	85.3	84.2	86.2	84.8	85.6	87.6
1960-61	89.2	89.6	89.5	87.1	89.8	87.9	90.3	90.3
1961-62	89.6	89.9	89.8	88.4	89.5	88.2	90.7	91.6
1962-63	89.8	90.4	89.7	88.7	89.1	88.7	90.7	91.8
1963-64	90.6	91.4	90.4	89.6	90.2	89.8	91.7	92.5
1964-65	94.0	94.5	94.0	93.0	93.9	92.6	94.6	95.3
1965-66	97.4	97.7	97.5	97.5	97.0	96.1	98.0	98.1
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68	103.3	103.2	103.7	103.3	102.9	102.9	104.6	102.6
1968-69	106.0	106.2	106.2	105.5	105.3	105.5	106.1	104.4
Quarter								
1963-64—								
March	90.7	91.4	90.3	89.7	90.2	90.1	91.9	92.4
June	91.5	92.3	91.2	90.4	91.4	90.9	92.2	93.1
1964-65—								
September	92.6	93.4	92.1	91.6	92.7	91.8	93.3	94.2
December	93.7	94.2	93.7	92.6	93.9	91.8	94.5	95.2
March	94.3	94.7	94.5	93.5	94.2	92.8	94.9	95.5
June	95.2	95.6	95.5	94.2	94.9	93.8	95.8	96.3
1965-66—								
September	96.2	96.7	96.4	96.0	95.5	94.3	97.0	97.3
December	97.4	97.8	97.5	97.2	96.9	95.5	98.3	98.4
March	97.6	97.8	97.5	98.2	97.2	96.3	97.8	98.2
June	98.4	98.3	98.4	98.4	98.2	98.1	98.7	98.5
1966-67—								
September	98.8	98.8	98.9	99.0	98.6	98.8	98.6	98.9
December	99.7	99.9	99.6	99.7	99.7	99.3	99.2	99.7
March	100.1	100.1	100.0	100.3	100.2	100.3	100.6	100.1
June	101.3	101.1	101.6	101.0	101.5	101.6	101.5	101.3
1967-68—								
September	102.7	102.5	102.9	102.8	102.6	102.0	104.3	102.2
December	103.0	102.9	103.3	103.0	102.1	102.5	105.0	102.4
March	103.4	103.2	103.8	103.7	102.6	103.1	104.6	102.6
June	104.2	104.0	104.8	103.7	104.2	104.0	104.6	103.2
1968-69—								
September	104.6	104.4	105.1	104.7	104.2	104.3	105.0	103.5
December	105.7	105.9	106.0	105.3	105.2	104.9	105.8	103.9
March	106.4	106.7	106.6	105.8	105.5	105.6	106.5	104.8
June	107.2	107.6	107.2	106.3	106.4	107.0	107.0	105.2

(a) Figures appearing after the decimal point possess little significance for general statistical purposes. They are inserted to avoid distortions that would occur in rounding off the figures to the nearest whole number.

SHARE PRICE INDEX

This index relates to ordinary shares of the principal companies (excluding banks) listed on the Sydney Stock Exchange, and whose business in New South Wales is extensive. The prices of individual shares are unweighted and each group average is the mean of the average monthly prices per \$2 of paid-up capital. Adjustments are made for changes in the capital structure of the companies. The total index is the average of all the shares included in the groups with the addition of thirty-four miscellaneous shares.

INDEX OF PRICES OF SHARES ON SYDNEY STOCK EXCHANGE (Base of each index: Average of 3 years ended June 1939 = 1,000)(a)

Period	Twenty-three manufac- turing and distributing companies	Ten retail companies	Four pastoral and finance companies	Four insurance companies	Total seventy-five companies	Thirty-four active shares included in foregoing
1959-60	3,188	2,702	2,382	4,245	2,718	2,743
1960-61	3,223	2,866	2,095	4,888	2,787	2,855
1961-62	3,359	2,872	1,915	5,620	2,949	2,932
1962-63	3,278	3,021	2,050	5,922	2,988	2,943
1963-64	3,607	3,186	2,507	6,045	3,254	3,261
1964-65	3,705	2,445	2,438	5,087	3,123	3,126
1965-66	3,327	1,969	1,907	4,677	2,826	2,778
1966-67	3,236	1,831	2,025	4,735	2,844	2,721
1967-68	3,781	2,197	1,947	5,697	3,387	3,145
1968-69	4,533	3,096	2,422	7,649	4,331	3,913
1967-68—						
August	3,496	1,943	2,004	5,295	3,132	2,973
September	3,595	1,972	2,049	5,449	3,184	3,033
October	3,705	1,982	1,904	5,578	3,236	3,073
November	3,826	2,049	1,797	5,650	3,330	3,136
December	3,671	2,080	1,827	5,606	3,270	3,038
January	3,724	2,104	1,862	5,727	3,316	3,079
February	3,782	2,140	1,912	5,696	3,423	3,101
March	3,694	2,320	1,876	5,666	3,367	3,062
April	3,846	2,406	1,899	6,035	3,509	3,206
May	4,207	2,591	2,090	6,262	3,825	3,498
June	4,462	2,865	2,193	6,376	4,077	3,699
1968-69—						
July	4,516	2,880	2,248	6,790	4,162	3,785
August	4,520	3,009	2,330	7,338	4,224	3,869
September	4,356	2,925	2,307	7,603	4,166	3,785
October	4,225	2,841	2,248	7,051	4,009	3,617
November	4,312	2,983	2,265	7,261	4,106	3,729
December	4,569	3,164	2,542	7,298	4,328	3,929
January	4,772	3,362	2,669	7,675	4,517	4,134
February	4,696	3,215	2,642	7,859	4,498	4,091
March	4,645	3,212	2,563	8,367	4,506	4,052
April	4,645	3,264	2,467	8,481	4,564	4,093
May	4,658	3,265	2,456	8,241	4,554	4,048
June	4,476	3,033	2,332	7,826	4,338	3,821
1969-70—						
July	4,507	3,071	2,402	7,726	4,361	3,820
August	4,383	3,010	2,353	7,630	4,345	3,754
September	4,328	3,030	2,378	7,530	4,331	3,728

(a) Converted from original base, par values.

WEEKLY WAGE RATES AND HOURS OF WORK: ADULT MALES

End of—	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Australia	
							Rates	Index Nos. (Base: 1954 = 100.0)
Weighted average minimum weekly rates of wage(a)								
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
June—								
1957	32.40	31.58	30.28	30.64	31.78	31.90	31.67	112.1
1958	32.96	31.91	31.08	31.20	31.95	32.29	32.16	113.9
1959	33.82	33.07	32.68	32.80	32.72	33.32	33.28	117.8
1960	35.65	34.95	34.47	34.18	35.03	34.97	35.09	124.3
1961	36.69	35.05	35.73	34.23	36.24	35.21	35.79	126.7
1962	37.28	36.34	35.98	35.52	36.39	36.28	36.59	129.6
1963	38.02	36.90	36.62	36.27	36.94	36.94	37.25	131.9
1964	40.00	38.88	37.45	38.48	38.08	39.45	39.06	138.3
1965	40.45	39.66	40.88	38.83	39.29	39.86	40.04	141.8
1966	41.14	40.50	42.84	39.59	42.06	41.10	41.11	145.6
1967—								
June	44.14	43.58	44.38	42.60	44.03	44.12	43.87	155.3
July	45.19	44.56	45.46	43.68	44.75	45.22	44.89	158.9
August	45.20	44.56	45.52	43.77	44.83	45.24	44.91	159.0
September	45.20	44.56	45.54	43.77	44.97	45.24	44.92	159.1
October	45.21	44.58	45.55	43.78	44.99	45.29	44.94	159.1
November	45.35	44.59	45.55	43.79	45.07	45.31	45.00	159.3
December	45.35	44.59	45.55	43.79	45.08	45.31	45.00	159.3
1968—								
January	46.13	45.53	45.90	44.64	45.22	46.07	45.73	161.9
February	46.18	45.64	45.96	44.91	45.23	46.55	45.83	162.3
March	46.34	45.71	45.98	45.15	45.40	46.62	45.95	162.7
April	46.65	45.86	46.19	45.31	45.43	46.73	46.16	163.4
May	46.91	45.92	46.28	45.38	45.57	46.82	46.31	164.0
June	46.96	46.05	46.41	45.51	45.61	46.84	46.40	164.3
July	47.00	46.31	46.47	45.58	45.65	46.86	46.51	164.7
August	47.64	46.73	46.95	46.03	45.97	47.23	47.01	166.5
September	47.72	46.92	47.01	46.20	46.05	47.34	47.13	166.9
October	49.19	48.58	48.53	47.82	47.48	48.88	48.67	172.3
November	49.22	48.71	48.60	47.87	47.59	48.91	48.75	172.6
December	49.32	48.83	49.01	48.10	47.73	48.96	48.90	173.1
1969—								
January	49.61	48.99	49.05	48.21	47.97	49.03	49.10	173.9
February	49.77	49.04	49.06	48.22	47.97	49.12	49.18	174.1
March	49.85	49.06	49.16	48.25	47.99	49.12	49.24	174.4
April	49.87	49.12	49.24	48.26	48.18	49.12	49.28	174.5
May	49.92	49.14	49.35	48.29	48.33	49.20	49.34	174.7
June	50.02	49.34	49.52	48.44	48.33	49.32	49.48	175.2
July	50.14	49.46	49.72	48.62	48.67	49.71	49.63	175.7

Weighted average standard weekly hours of work(b)

July 1969	39.95	39.97	39.98	39.96	39.89	39.97	39.96	100.0
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(a) For a full week's work (excluding overtime), as prescribed in awards, determinations and agreements. Excludes rural. Rates shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as indexes expressed in money terms, indicative of trends. They do not measure the relative level of minimum wages as between States. Figures for July 1968 and subsequent months are subject to revision. (b) Excludes rural, and shipping and stevedoring.

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS(a) PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT(b)

The following figures are derived from employment and wages and salaries recorded on pay-roll tax returns, from other direct collections and from estimates of the unrecorded balance. The figures relate to civilians only.

Period	New South Wales(c)	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia(d)	Western Australia	Tasmania	Australia	Seasonally adjusted index(e)
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
1959-60	45.70	45.50	39.40	41.80	39.20	41.90	43.90	134.3
1960-61	48.10	47.20	41.60	43.40	41.60	43.30	46.00	140.6
1961-62	49.10	48.50	43.20	44.70	43.00	45.30	47.20	144.7
1962-63	50.20	50.10	44.40	45.80	44.20	45.90	48.40	148.3
1963-64	52.60	52.50	46.90	48.20	47.20	48.40	50.90	155.9
1964-65	56.50	56.40	50.40	52.00	49.50	51.00	54.60	167.3
1965-66	58.60	59.20	52.50	53.80	54.10	53.80	57.00	174.6
1966-67	62.40	63.00	55.60	56.90	58.30	57.40	60.70	186.0
1967-68	66.00	66.80	58.80	60.40	62.50	61.00	64.30	197.0
1968-69	71.60	71.20	62.60	64.30	67.20	63.80	68.90	211.7
Quarter								
1963-64—								
December	55.40	55.80	49.20	50.30	49.80	50.70	53.70	155.4
March	50.00	49.80	44.60	46.50	44.70	46.50	48.40	157.9
June	54.20	53.50	48.00	49.10	47.60	49.90	52.10	159.0
1964-65—								
September	55.00	55.60	49.40	52.20	48.10	49.60	53.50	163.6
December	59.30	58.70	52.50	53.40	51.80	51.90	57.00	165.5
March	54.10	54.10	47.70	50.10	46.40	49.70	52.20	169.7
June	57.70	57.40	51.90	52.30	51.60	52.70	55.80	170.3
1965-66—								
September	58.20	59.20	52.60	54.60	53.10	50.50	56.80	172.4
December	60.30	61.40	55.30	55.30	55.50	56.40	59.00	173.6
March	56.90	55.60	49.20	51.40	52.40	53.10	54.60	175.9
June	58.80	60.50	52.70	53.80	55.30	55.20	57.70	176.4
1966-67—								
September	61.40	62.50	55.20	56.50	57.90	54.90	60.00	182.0
December	63.80	64.80	57.80	57.80	59.50	59.50	62.30	183.8
March	60.30	59.80	53.00	55.30	56.80	55.50	58.30	187.0
June	64.20	65.10	56.50	57.90	59.00	59.50	62.40	190.4
1967-68—								
September	64.80	66.10	58.10	60.00	60.90	58.80	63.40	194.1
December	67.40	69.20	61.40	61.60	63.80	63.30	66.20	195.9
March	64.00	63.50	55.70	58.80	60.80	58.90	61.90	197.6
June	67.70	68.30	59.80	61.30	64.30	62.90	65.90	201.2
1968-69—								
September	68.40	68.50	60.50	62.50	64.70	60.50	66.30	203.3
December	74.30	73.30	64.70	65.90	68.50	66.90	71.30	209.7
March	69.60	69.50	60.10	63.10	65.60	62.20	67.20	215.7
June	73.80	73.70	64.30	65.60	69.40	66.50	71.40	218.2

(a) Includes, in addition to wages at award rates, earnings of salaried employees, overtime earnings, over-award and bonus payments, payments made in advance or retrospectively during the periods specified, etc. (b) Total wages and salaries, etc., divided by the total number of civilian employees expressed in male units, i.e., total male employees plus 55 per cent of female employees. This proportion is derived from the estimated ratio of female to male earnings in Australia. As it was not possible to estimate the ratio of female to male earnings in the several States, the same ratio has been used for each State. Because the actual ratio may vary between States, precise comparisons between average earnings in different States cannot be made on the basis of the figures above. (c) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (d) Includes the Northern Territory. (e) All industries—Australia base 1953-54=100. There has been no change in the basis of seasonal adjustment of this series. It has not yet been adjusted by the programmes used for other Bureau series.

Note. Quarterly figures shown in money terms are affected by seasonal influences. Comparisons as to trend are generally best made by relating complete years or corresponding periods of incomplete years. However, from December quarter 1963, comparisons with corresponding quarters of earlier years are affected by additional prepayments arising from extensions of annual leave from two to three weeks.

BUILDING APPROVALS(a): AUSTRALIA

Period	New houses and flats						Other new buildings		Alterations(b) and additions		Total	
	Private (c)			Government (c)		Total		Private (c)	Govern-ment (c)	Private (c)		Govern-ment (c)
	Number(d)		Value	Number (d)	Value	Number* (d)	Value					
	Original	Season-ally adjusted										
			\$'000		\$'000		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Monthly Average												
1959-60	7,587	..	47,162	1,066	6,062	8,653	53,224	22,502	11,346	11,654	1,894	100,620
1960-61	6,446	..	42,648	1,355	7,418	7,801	50,066	23,894	13,332	11,504	1,562	100,358
1961-62	5,886	..	39,882	1,180	6,666	7,066	46,548	22,794	15,352	11,578	1,440	97,712
1962-63	6,623	..	45,724	1,243	7,004	7,866	52,728	24,926	17,688	13,044	1,310	109,696
1963-64	8,127	..	56,930	1,575	9,278	9,702	66,208	25,844	23,724	14,022	1,324	131,122
1964-65	8,774	..	64,224	1,459	9,636	10,233	73,860	35,078	22,632	15,726	1,990	149,286
1965-66	7,966	..	61,495	1,216	8,243	9,182	69,738	33,392	25,168	14,669	1,596	144,563
1966-67	8,680	..	69,331	1,398	10,135	10,078	79,466	36,356	27,717	10,768	466	154,772
1967-68	9,904	..	83,054	1,107	8,590	11,011	91,644	40,053	35,673	11,407	546	179,323
1968-69	10,977	..	98,608	1,395	10,946	12,372	109,554	47,462	29,006	12,486	522	199,030
Monthly Total												
1967-68—												
July	9,278	9,083	79,657	929	6,553	10,207	86,210	37,855	22,736	11,006	497	158,304
August	10,781	9,372	87,341	920	6,666	11,701	94,007	36,073	24,811	12,570	642	168,103
September	9,518	9,244	79,574	851	6,921	10,369	86,495	51,365	40,491	11,751	646	190,748
October	10,405	9,748	85,589	1,374	9,509	11,779	95,098	34,740	37,725	12,283	510	180,356
November	10,625	9,937	85,845	1,024	9,200	11,649	95,045	46,868	26,737	12,372	604	181,626
December	8,109	10,117	66,224	1,310	10,164	9,419	76,388	39,421	33,150	9,570	471	159,000
January	8,618	10,855	73,312	762	5,861	9,380	79,173	30,186	45,862	9,498	376	165,095
February	9,466	9,586	79,107	1,380	11,072	10,846	90,179	32,407	31,438	10,704	505	165,233
March	10,369	10,374	84,355	1,345	11,511	11,714	95,866	34,331	40,323	11,312	558	182,390
April	9,597	10,063	82,005	977	6,799	10,574	88,804	35,701	38,927	10,856	681	174,969
May	11,701	10,576	97,836	1,185	9,965	12,886	107,801	45,804	55,881	13,318	603	223,407
June	10,381	10,604	95,804	1,223	8,863	11,604	104,667	55,878	29,998	11,639	464	202,646
1968-69—												
July	11,799	10,662	104,543	863	6,312	12,662	110,855	43,234	31,275	12,947	420	198,731
August	11,639	10,696	103,888	1,355	9,255	12,994	113,143	50,944	25,855	12,870	445	203,257
September	11,568	11,069	102,288	1,365	10,188	12,933	112,476	35,763	25,207	12,571	1,196	187,213
October	11,666	10,460	102,545	1,007	7,902	12,673	110,447	42,747	25,840	14,199	610	193,843
November	10,813	10,794	94,309	1,732	13,599	12,545	107,908	40,522	17,013	13,073	473	178,989
December	9,907	11,518	84,346	1,349	10,389	11,256	94,735	44,672	30,319	10,135	516	180,377
January	8,665	11,051	79,436	957	9,445	9,622	88,881	40,368	23,076	9,710	297	162,332
February	10,045	10,791	91,544	1,169	9,601	11,214	101,145	50,851	28,886	11,881	334	193,097
March	10,957	10,750	101,409	1,952	17,081	12,909	118,490	43,378	32,021	13,250	471	207,610
April	10,916	11,539	100,677	882	6,806	11,798	107,483	56,824	26,680	12,710	467	204,164
May	12,373	11,574	113,931	2,359	17,496	14,732	131,427	53,578	33,863	13,738	533	233,139
June	11,379	11,080	104,381	1,744	13,274	13,123	117,655	66,667	48,037	12,746	504	245,609
1969-70—												
July	13,251	11,874	124,099	1,778	14,242	15,029	138,341	65,727	31,398	13,633	680	249,779
August	12,246	11,901	114,906	1,526	12,047	13,772	126,953	51,686	22,635	13,413	323	215,010

(a) Includes permits issued by local government authorities and contracts let, work commenced and day labour projects authorised by government authorities. (b) Prior to 1 July 1966 additions of \$10,000 and over are included with new buildings in all States except New South Wales. From 1 July 1966, additions and/or alterations of \$10,000 and over are included with new buildings in all States. (c) Building is classified as 'Private' or 'Government' according to ownership. (d) Number of individual living units.

* Also seasonally adjusted—see pages 32 and 33.

BUILDING APPROVALS

VALUE OF TOTAL BUILDING APPROVED(a)
(including alterations and additions)

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queens-land	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia	
									Original	Seasonally adjusted
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$ m	\$ m
Monthly Average										
1959-60	38,976	29,986	10,910	8,856	5,778	3,262	624	2,228	100.6	..
1960-61	37,546	27,650	12,236	11,136	6,012	2,544	498	2,736	100.4	..
1961-62	37,570	26,274	10,754	9,448	6,638	3,150	658	3,220	97.7	..
1962-63	40,908	30,740	12,206	10,790	7,172	3,118	806	3,956	109.7	..
1963-64	47,164	36,142	15,382	14,474	10,368	2,876	966	3,750	131.1	..
1964-65	53,764	40,388	18,366	15,442	11,822	3,740	1,524	4,240	149.3	..
1965-66	48,854	42,211	20,586	12,604	11,051	4,072	1,289	3,895	144.6	..
1966-67	53,856	44,636	19,463	10,972	14,433	4,668	1,526	5,218	154.8	..
1967-68	61,959	46,484	23,579	13,702	21,067	6,201	2,443	3,888	179.3	..
1968-69	71,831	50,465	23,390	13,557	26,620	4,560	2,417	6,191	199.0	..
Monthly Total										
1967-68—										
July	48,167	44,531	20,349	15,423	20,679	4,057	823	4,275	158.3	162.9
August	62,254	47,330	19,223	9,548	19,634	4,738	1,040	4,336	168.1	153.1
September	65,567	50,787	31,771	13,193	21,520	3,735	471	3,704	190.7	178.0
October	62,294	49,143	19,057	18,061	17,521	5,260	1,423	7,597	180.4	171.3
November	62,188	51,048	24,400	16,642	16,748	4,147	2,500	3,953	181.6	179.7
December	53,908	48,559	18,543	10,154	17,295	4,858	2,613	3,070	159.0	189.6
January	56,950	27,382	25,266	17,616	23,940	6,540	3,556	3,845	165.1	194.4
February	55,181	39,716	21,101	17,454	18,703	7,083	3,407	2,588	165.2	177.4
March	67,740	48,739	21,991	10,782	22,715	4,405	3,567	2,451	182.4	184.9
April	55,807	48,190	21,815	13,491	20,097	9,194	3,631	2,744	175.0	189.1
May	81,458	53,247	36,106	10,228	22,790	15,092	1,493	2,993	223.4	193.6
June	71,998	49,136	23,328	11,837	31,157	5,303	4,789	5,098	202.6	191.4
1968-69—										
July	64,896	59,668	23,339	11,809	25,376	4,604	975	8,064	198.7	185.7
August	80,334	57,756	21,173	13,876	19,053	3,938	1,461	5,666	203.3	194.9
September	62,855	48,715	22,372	14,302	25,367	4,453	3,642	5,507	187.2	175.9
October	64,550	55,146	24,817	12,214	25,022	4,989	1,951	5,154	193.8	176.0
November	66,438	44,159	20,851	10,930	23,746	4,374	1,985	6,506	179.0	185.9
December	59,211	60,205	17,621	13,842	22,211	2,050	1,696	3,541	180.4	204.2
January	60,257	34,135	18,430	11,305	23,762	3,489	5,353	5,601	162.3	191.4
February	73,886	44,501	23,060	14,991	23,755	2,835	1,832	8,237	193.1	216.5
March	73,536	47,888	24,879	13,269	34,144	5,508	2,866	5,520	207.6	211.0
April	76,297	43,313	24,611	16,516	32,508	6,006	1,897	3,016	204.2	222.0
May	88,173	59,802	27,040	14,165	30,594	4,580	3,363	5,422	233.1	210.6
June	91,533	50,296	32,485	15,461	33,900	7,893	1,980	12,061	245.6	220.7
1969-70—										
July	83,672	65,430	30,141	15,094	41,622	5,144	4,538	4,138	249.8	232.8
August	76,657	56,345	24,549	14,095	28,204	7,931	2,133	5,096	215.0	216.7

(a) See footnote (a) page 31.

BUILDING APPROVALS

NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS APPROVED(a)

(Individual living units)

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia	
									Original	Seasonally adjusted
Monthly average										
1959-60	3,484	2,422	1,039	777	537	228	37	129	8,653	..
1960-61	3,058	1,966	993	892	510	202	32	148	7,801	..
1961-62	2,720	1,784	896	711	574	220	39	122	7,066	..
1962-63	2,892	2,169	869	898	622	220	35	161	7,866	..
1963-64	3,624	2,670	1,049	1,145	773	234	51	156	9,702	..
1964-65	3,910	2,742	1,240	1,028	781	243	78	211	10,233	..
1965-66	3,271	2,456	1,313	911	767	220	62	182	9,182	..
1966-67	3,527	2,884	1,410	707	954	287	75	234	10,078	..
1967-68	3,951	3,208	1,359	643	1,260	311	111	167	11,010	..
1968-69	4,547	3,200	1,399	865	1,723	261	111	266	12,372	..
Monthly total										
1967-68—										
July	3,505	3,167	1,248	718	1,045	321	21	182	10,207	10,118
August	4,179	3,548	1,395	597	1,305	415	52	210	11,701	10,228
September	3,901	2,883	1,322	591	1,235	288	17	132	10,369	9,996
October	4,325	3,267	1,419	908	1,242	346	74	198	11,779	10,994
November	4,130	3,737	1,393	717	1,147	312	60	153	11,649	11,092
December	3,344	2,918	1,177	475	1,047	249	113	96	9,419	11,217
January	3,978	2,030	1,204	502	1,189	236	80	161	9,380	12,063
February	4,015	3,243	1,373	513	1,148	209	190	155	10,846	11,391
March	3,944	3,593	1,627	565	1,288	308	277	112	11,714	11,669
April	3,317	3,311	1,273	914	1,193	277	184	105	10,574	11,125
May	4,836	3,818	1,543	582	1,393	528	64	122	12,886	11,426
June	3,935	2,985	1,337	637	1,887	245	204	374	11,604	11,682
1968-69—										
July	4,733	3,640	1,541	673	1,574	276	28	197	12,662	11,612
August	4,875	3,631	1,430	1,045	1,466	273	81	193	12,994	11,949
September	4,425	3,407	1,651	771	1,861	321	163	334	12,933	12,331
October	4,418	3,645	1,486	705	1,715	279	82	343	12,673	11,310
November	4,646	3,304	1,386	807	1,758	315	46	283	12,545	12,635
December	3,874	3,602	1,083	687	1,527	169	116	198	11,256	12,662
January	3,921	1,681	1,252	668	1,377	272	192	259	9,622	12,522
February	4,399	2,364	1,398	701	1,731	187	146	288	11,214	12,364
March	4,616	3,168	1,531	808	2,005	237	112	432	12,909	12,689
April	4,659	2,656	1,204	936	1,818	231	117	177	11,798	12,432
May	5,198	4,174	1,466	1,245	1,936	270	178	265	14,732	13,565
June	4,794	3,127	1,359	1,331	1,903	302	79	228	13,123	12,679
1969-70—										
July	4,836	3,963	1,574	1,098	2,835	299	155	269	15,029	13,801
August	5,067	3,543	1,671	815	1,874	327	179	296	13,772	13,179

(a) See footnote (a) page 31.

VALUE (WHEN COMPLETED) OF NEW BUILDINGS: AUSTRALIA

(\$ million)

Period	Commenced							Completed			Under construction at end of period		
	Houses and flats	Other		Total		New private buildings		Houses and flats	Other	Total	Houses and flats	Other	Total
		Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted						
Quarterly average													
1963-64	190.8	162.9	..	353.7	..	258.1	..	171.5	136.7	308.2	386.8	694.8	1,081.6
1964-65	215.7	188.4	..	404.1	..	302.2	..	205.7	160.9	366.6	433.1	823.2	1,256.3
1965-66	211.3	193.9	..	405.2	..	302.8	..	217.5	184.4	401.9	418.3	882.1	1,300.4
1966-67	235.9	209.3	..	445.2	..	328.4	..	228.7	204.6	433.3	440.3	883.8	1,324.1
1967-68	266.1	231.4	..	497.5	..	367.2	..	255.7	210.7	466.4	484.9	967.0	1,451.9
Quarterly total													
1966-67—													
December	232.2	168.9	197.1	401.1	439.5	304.5	323.9	250.3	223.1	473.4	418.5	845.9	1,264.4
March	230.9	216.7	208.7	447.6	448.2	342.6	341.8	203.2	194.9	398.1	449.8	872.4	1,322.2
June	247.3	237.0	226.1	484.3	470.0	332.8	336.3	240.2	190.1	430.3	459.6	923.4	1,383.0
1967-68—													
September	267.5	226.7	215.0	494.2	467.9	378.2	354.9	248.2	202.4	450.6	482.4	949.9	1,432.2
December	244.7	193.9	226.0	438.5	479.5	342.7	363.2	276.2	236.1	512.4	454.0	915.5	1,369.5
March	262.0	260.8	250.5	522.9	523.1	364.2	362.9	231.3	202.3	433.6	488.1	976.2	1,464.3
June	290.1	244.1	233.0	534.2	518.3	383.8	389.4	267.0	202.0	469.0	515.0	1,026.5	1,541.6
1968-69—													
September	309.3	228.7	217.3	538.0	510.4	432.7	405.7	281.6	236.7	518.3	546.5	1,024.9	1,571.3
December	310.0	208.6	242.9	518.6	566.3	412.7	436.2	315.2	271.0	586.3	545.1	962.8	1,507.9
March	312.6	262.6	251.8	575.2	575.2	446.7	444.9	264.4	201.3	465.7	595.7	1,028.7	1,624.6

VALUE OF NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED

(\$'000)

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia
Quarterly average									
1963-64	117,920	83,708	33,254	29,576	23,216	8,494	1,990	10,042	308,200
1964-65	132,886	100,570	44,618	38,626	26,774	9,436	2,946	10,746	366,602
1965-66	145,809	103,844	52,326	40,075	32,545	9,920	3,016	14,392	401,927
1966-67	156,489	117,984	54,775	33,805	40,534	12,055	3,311	14,396	433,349
1967-68	159,739	124,343	64,244	34,633	48,851	15,471	5,074	14,067	466,421
Quarterly total									
1966-67—									
December	169,672	138,466	60,919	34,209	37,893	13,133	3,179	15,971	473,442
March	145,051	102,375	49,072	34,533	40,202	12,438	3,802	10,623	398,096
June	157,888	114,728	55,691	33,221	44,075	11,138	2,751	10,810	430,302
1967-68—									
September	157,555	125,991	54,638	34,766	45,394	16,635	2,615	13,024	450,618
December	155,505	146,707	75,733	38,693	54,546	20,141	5,856	15,214	512,395
March	158,080	101,843	57,919	38,874	46,526	11,821	8,022	10,549	433,634
June	167,818	122,829	68,684	26,198	48,937	13,288	3,802	17,481	469,037
1968-69—									
September	164,194	155,029	72,559	28,860	57,739	9,957	7,181	22,828	518,347
December	206,597	146,941	64,530	48,382	72,390	18,654	8,115	20,665	586,274
March	163,597	121,819	62,827	28,458	57,118	16,500	4,048	11,305	465,672

NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS(a)

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia				
									New houses and flats		New private houses and flats		
Commenced													
									Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	
Quarterly average													
1964-65	10,552	7,955	3,521	3,345	2,299	699	188	618	29,177	..	24,384	..	
1965-66	9,259	7,270	3,926	2,736	2,282	603	158	569	26,801	..	22,950	..	
1966-67	9,743	8,269	3,992	2,423	2,749	785	218	600	28,779	..	24,527	..	
1967-68	10,144	9,077	4,071	2,078	3,661	877	267	604	30,779	..	27,153	..	
1968-69p	12,144	9,420	4,201	2,311	4,734	733	351	791	34,685	..	30,819	..	
Quarterly total													
1966-67—December	9,834	8,468	3,612	2,397	2,785	679	302	598	28,675	29,738	24,006	24,876	
March	10,117	7,852	4,092	1,972	2,798	649	206	603	28,289	29,139	24,167	24,626	
June	9,730	8,418	4,426	2,409	2,880	949	179	632	29,623	29,277	25,195	24,997	
1967-68—September	10,154	9,373	4,284	2,285	3,391	958	276	742	31,463	29,970	27,600	26,460	
December	9,755	8,796	3,388	1,998	3,251	802	130	486	28,606	29,537	25,349	26,166	
March	9,913	8,621	4,208	2,056	3,730	970	262	685	30,445	31,396	26,784	27,318	
June	10,752	9,517	4,405	1,974	4,272	779	400	504	32,603	32,173	28,879	28,647	
1968-69—September	11,532	9,883	4,152	2,281	4,407	716	395	696	34,062	32,530	30,620	29,392	
December	11,956	9,656	4,140	2,346	4,443	792	314	873	34,520	35,552	30,793	31,723	
March	12,437	8,513	4,273	2,205	4,679	685	230	910	33,932	35,018	29,835	30,444	
June p	12,652	9,628	4,237	2,460	5,406	737	465	686	36,271	35,770	32,076	31,821	
Completed													
									Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	
Quarterly average													
1964-65	9,973	7,874	3,406	3,218	2,322	683	152	535	28,163	..	23,869	..	
1965-66	10,192	7,609	3,657	3,052	2,222	620	196	645	28,192	..	23,759	..	
1966-67	9,217	8,066	4,074	2,709	2,504	737	121	545	27,973	..	23,961	..	
1967-68	10,345	8,570	4,070	2,204	3,063	906	228	659	30,045	..	26,147	..	
1968-69p	11,206	9,123	4,282	2,153	4,111	757	296	647	32,575	..	28,908	..	
Quarterly total													
1966-67—December	9,969	9,026	4,764	2,910	2,790	758	153	547	30,917	28,570	26,293	24,248	
March	8,385	6,833	3,716	2,307	2,272	638	127	430	24,708	27,177	21,806	23,517	
June	9,350	8,626	4,081	2,521	2,740	883	107	569	28,877	28,643	24,528	24,819	
1967-68—September	10,021	8,760	4,009	2,398	2,959	836	156	740	29,879	29,850	25,877	25,883	
December	11,139	9,518	4,102	2,426	3,325	1,091	285	665	32,551	30,055	28,172	25,928	
March	9,571	7,263	3,733	1,897	2,906	801	215	536	26,922	29,666	23,895	25,824	
June	10,647	8,737	4,435	2,096	3,060	895	254	694	30,818	30,584	26,645	26,980	
1968-69—September	11,282	8,786	4,239	2,164	3,839	758	222	626	31,916	31,854	27,903	27,893	
December	11,801	10,289	4,546	2,342	3,999	921	397	614	34,909	32,220	31,426	28,887	
March	10,779	7,437	3,812	1,799	4,100	651	210	643	29,431	32,449	26,403	28,575	
June p.	10,961	9,980	4,532	2,305	4,505	699	356	706	34,044	33,807	29,898	30,292	
Under construction at end of period													
									Original		Original		
1964-65	22,557	18,189	4,068	6,872	3,895	1,788	623	1,543	59,535		47,086		
1965-66	18,827	16,833	5,144	5,605	4,133	1,720	471	1,240	53,973		43,850		
1966-67	20,933	17,646	4,817	4,462	5,113	1,908	861	1,457	57,197		46,115		
1967-68	20,129	19,627	4,823	3,949	7,492	1,792	1,019	1,239	60,070		50,068		
1968-69p	23,883	20,421	4,496	4,550	9,958	1,654	1,238	1,806	68,006		57,214		
1966-67—December	18,821	16,835	4,096	4,909	4,447	1,831	710	1,221	52,870		43,087		
March	20,553	17,854	4,472	4,574	4,973	1,842	789	1,394	56,451		45,448		
June	20,933	17,646	4,817	4,462	5,113	1,908	861	1,457	57,197		46,115		
1967-68—September	21,066	18,259	5,092	4,349	5,545	2,030	981	1,459	58,781		47,838		
December	19,682	17,537	4,378	3,921	5,471	1,741	826	1,280	54,836		45,015		
March	20,024	18,895	4,853	4,080	6,295	1,910	873	1,429	58,359		47,904		
June	20,129	19,627	4,823	3,949	7,492	1,792	1,019	1,239	60,070		50,068		
1968-69—September	20,379	20,582	4,736	4,056	8,048	1,729	1,192	1,306	62,028		52,597		
December	20,534	19,894	4,330	4,045	8,485	1,587	1,109	1,562	61,546		51,872		
March	22,192	20,882	4,791	4,442	9,057	1,616	1,129	1,828	65,937		55,194		
June p.	23,883	20,421	4,496	4,550	9,958	1,654	1,238	1,806	68,006		57,214		

(a) Individual living units. Only new flats are included, i.e., the conversions of old buildings into flats are omitted. Figures for flats include 'home units'.

VALUE OF WORK DONE(a) ON NEW BUILDINGS

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia	
New houses and flats										
									Original	Seasonally adjusted
Quarterly average	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$m
1963-64	63,330	52,278	18,894	20,620	14,934	4,645	983	4,715	180,399	..
1964-65	75,980	60,081	24,835	23,311	17,014	5,146	1,526	5,975	213,868	..
1965-66	76,227	58,352	28,761	21,560	17,225	4,714	1,714	6,414	214,968	..
1966-67	78,515	66,480	31,239	19,344	22,944	6,025	1,865	6,285	232,695	..
1967-68	88,242	73,354	34,640	17,566	30,330	7,643	2,727	7,110	261,611	..
Quarterly total										
1966-67—December	79,362	66,630	31,343	20,067	23,251	5,658	1,648	5,566	233,525	231.8
March	73,164	62,765	30,675	17,751	21,804	5,290	1,619	5,961	219,029	231.0
June	83,815	70,737	33,807	18,250	25,562	7,568	2,308	6,829	248,876	245.1
1967-68—September	88,102	74,010	34,698	18,801	26,152	8,086	2,373	7,407	259,629	252.2
December	87,248	73,397	31,979	17,838	29,823	7,569	2,438	7,210	257,502	255.4
March	85,607	69,220	33,155	16,917	27,906	7,192	2,837	6,969	249,803	264.1
June	92,009	76,789	38,729	16,708	37,438	7,724	3,261	6,853	279,511	274.6
1968-69—September	101,759	82,383	37,037	17,880	38,448	7,107	2,961	7,795	295,370	287.2
December	104,047	87,193	38,518	18,825	41,551	7,267	3,155	7,973	308,529	305.8
March	106,710	76,282	37,244	18,220	40,369	6,661	3,097	8,744	297,327	314.6
Other new buildings										
Quarterly average	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$m
1963-64	59,200	38,406	18,251	13,364	9,489	4,318	1,374	6,162	150,564	..
1964-65	66,458	43,293	21,724	16,780	13,730	4,443	1,419	7,489	175,336	..
1965-66	77,392	52,249	26,684	17,631	16,146	6,086	1,723	7,412	205,323	..
1966-67	70,746	55,371	26,703	16,552	17,988	7,250	2,295	6,756	203,661	..
1967-68	71,565	58,083	29,196	16,811	22,780	7,372	2,900	8,269	216,975	..
Quarterly total										
1966-67—December	66,528	55,628	24,768	17,458	18,550	7,985	2,391	7,509	200,817	199.4
March	59,539	50,490	25,474	15,054	18,685	6,240	2,073	5,201	182,756	195.2
June	70,885	55,261	29,150	16,454	17,338	7,668	2,893	6,456	206,105	205.6
1967-68—September	69,259	57,995	28,750	16,873	22,993	7,683	2,515	6,030	212,098	201.1
December	72,506	59,110	29,421	16,624	22,507	7,366	2,725	10,468	220,727	219.0
March	67,196	55,943	26,592	15,928	21,795	7,120	3,698	8,774	207,046	221.4
June	77,299	59,285	32,021	17,817	23,823	7,318	2,663	7,804	228,030	227.8
1968-69—September	87,479	69,787	32,692	16,768	25,366	7,922	3,279	8,263	251,556	234.8
December	81,267	62,758	31,104	16,660	25,978	8,769	2,871	7,416	236,823	235.0
March	78,300	53,701	34,310	15,728	23,606	6,896	2,621	6,447	221,609	237.3
All new buildings										
Quarterly average	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$m
1963-64	122,529	90,685	37,145	33,984	24,423	8,962	2,358	10,877	330,963	..
1964-65	142,438	103,374	46,559	40,091	30,744	9,589	2,944	13,465	389,204	..
1965-66	153,619	110,601	55,445	39,190	33,371	10,800	3,437	13,827	420,290	..
1966-67	149,261	121,850	57,942	35,897	40,932	13,274	4,160	13,041	436,356	..
1967-68	159,807	131,437	63,836	34,377	53,109	15,015	5,628	15,379	478,587	..
Quarterly total										
1966-67—December	145,890	122,258	56,111	37,525	41,801	13,643	4,039	13,075	434,342	431.0
March	132,703	113,255	56,149	32,805	40,489	11,530	3,692	11,162	401,785	424.5
June	154,700	125,998	62,957	34,704	42,900	15,236	5,201	13,285	454,981	454.4
1967-68—September	157,361	132,005	63,448	35,674	49,145	15,769	4,888	13,437	471,727	473.8
December	159,754	132,507	61,399	34,462	52,330	14,935	5,163	17,678	478,228	483.5
March	152,803	125,163	59,748	32,845	49,701	14,312	6,535	15,743	456,850	503.9
June	169,308	136,074	70,750	34,525	61,261	15,042	5,924	14,657	507,541	523.2
1968-69—September	189,238	152,170	69,729	34,648	63,814	15,029	6,240	16,058	546,926	540.0
December	185,314	149,951	69,622	35,485	67,529	16,036	6,026	15,389	545,352	549.7
March	185,010	129,983	71,554	33,948	63,976	13,557	5,718	15,191	518,937	..

(a) See footnote (b) page 31.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY PRIVATE BUSINESSES

These statistics are designed primarily to measure trends in expenditure by private businesses on fixed tangible assets. The statistics are based on returns obtained from private businesses subject to pay-roll tax (other than businesses in rural, professional, gas and electricity industries), from government banks and airlines, and from other businesses not subject to pay-roll tax which undertake projects of more than \$500,000 in any half year. For statistics of capital expenditure by all private businesses, see the series 'Gross Fixed Capital Expenditure' on page 55 of this publication.

(\$ million)
NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY INDUSTRY

Period	Manufacturing									Non-manufacturing				All Industries*
	Extracting, refining, found-ing	Engine-ering (a)	Vehi-cles (b)	Chem-i-cals (c)	Textiles and clothing	Food, drink and tobacco	Paper and printing	Other manu-fact-uring (d)	Total manu-fact-uring	Whole-sale and retail trade	Mining	Trans-port (e)	Other non-manu-fact-uring (f)	
Quarterly average														
1964-65	29.6	27.1	23.1	31.8	8.0	35.2	13.8	24.1	192.7	55.4	26.6	31.7	53.1	359.6
1965-66	43.7	30.5	20.0	37.2	10.3	36.7	15.1	27.8	221.2	63.3	54.3	32.7	68.1	439.6
1966-67	46.0	32.1	10.6	31.7	8.6	34.2	17.2	27.2	207.5	61.6	60.7	32.4	62.1	424.3
1967-68	41.4	29.9	13.4	32.4	7.6	36.6	19.6	26.9	207.8	63.2	81.3	42.9	72.8	468.0
1968-69	36.5	36.4	13.1	37.3	10.6	32.6	17.9	31.2	215.6	74.2	110.5	39.7	84.6	524.6
Quarterly total														
1966-67—														
September	61.2	31.2	9.7	41.4	7.1	32.9	12.8	28.5	224.8	65.3	46.9	29.6	65.8	432.4
December	46.6	33.5	10.7	36.8	7.6	38.6	17.4	28.2	219.4	70.0	68.9	25.8	67.4	451.5
March	36.0	26.4	7.9	24.8	8.0	27.6	15.8	24.6	171.1	54.5	52.9	37.4	51.9	367.8
June	40.2	37.3	14.0	23.7	11.5	37.8	22.7	27.6	214.8	56.6	74.1	36.7	63.3	445.5
1967-68—														
September	42.2	29.3	13.6	26.1	6.7	35.2	18.5	25.5	197.1	65.6	70.4	35.7	65.0	433.8
December	48.5	34.2	12.9	33.4	7.8	44.6	22.8	28.5	232.7	60.7	97.1	50.8	81.5	522.8
March	32.8	24.2	13.3	26.9	6.7	28.7	17.5	23.8	173.9	58.8	72.2	34.2	65.1	404.2
June	42.1	31.9	13.8	43.1	9.2	38.1	19.4	29.8	227.4	67.7	85.6	50.9	79.4	511.0
1968-69—														
September	39.2	32.6	13.5	39.0	8.0	31.9	20.4	24.9	209.5	76.5	90.7	38.5	69.2	484.4
December	41.9	40.2	12.0	42.8	12.0	35.8	17.0	30.0	231.7	81.7	122.1	44.6	95.1	575.2
March	28.5	29.3	11.2	27.9	8.8	30.6	14.9	31.3	182.5	55.3	105.1	27.8	74.2	444.9
June	36.4	43.3	15.7	39.3	13.8	32.3	19.3	38.5	238.6	83.5	124.0	47.8	100.1	594.0

NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY TYPE OF ASSET

Period	New buildings and structures(g)		Other new capital equipment(h)		Total new capital expenditure	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
Quarterly average						
1964-65	116.4	..	243.1	..	359.6	..
1965-66	145.2	..	294.4	..	439.6	..
1966-67	140.1	..	284.2	..	424.3	..
1967-68	168.7	..	299.3	..	468.0	..
1968-69	206.2	..	318.9	..	525.1	..
Quarterly total						
1966-67—						
September	141.3	138.4	291.1	299.4	432.4	437.6
December	148.4	133.9	303.1	282.3	451.5	412.9
March	122.0	145.5	245.8	281.8	367.8	426.6
June	148.8	144.3	296.7	274.4	445.5	422.3
1967-68—						
September	167.1	163.7	266.7	274.7	433.8	439.7
December	191.8	172.9	331.0	308.1	522.8	476.5
March	143.0	170.4	261.2	298.2	404.2	468.1
June	172.8	167.8	338.2	313.8	511.0	485.9
1968-69—						
September	181.7	178.0	302.7	311.8	484.4	491.0
December	234.9	211.7	340.3	316.5	575.2	523.5
March	165.8	197.1	279.1	318.2	444.9	514.9
June	240.7	233.7	353.3	328.3	594.0	565.7

(a) Engineering, metalworking, electrical equipment. (b) Vehicles, aircraft and ships, parts and accessories. Includes assembly and repairs. (c) Chemicals, fertilisers, paints, explosives, cosmetics and oil refining. (d) Sawmilling, furniture, plastics, leather, rubber, etc. (e) Road, rail and air transport (including government airlines), shipping and stevedoring. (f) Building, construction, banking (including government banks), insurance, other finance and property, amusement, hotels, cafes, personal services, etc. (g) Includes assets such as buildings, wharves, railway and harbour construction, roads and also lifts, heating and ventilation equipment and the like forming an integral part of the structure. (h) Includes all machinery and equipment including vehicles, aircraft and ships, and such items as new motors, lathes, office equipment and fixtures.
* Also seasonally adjusted—see below

MINE PRODUCTION OF SELECTED MINERALS

Period	Metals										
	Copper (a)	Lead (a)	Zinc (a)	Tin (a)	Gold (a)	Silver (a)	Mineral sands concentrates(b)			Bauxite (b)	Iron ore (b)
							Rutile	Ilmenite	Zircon		
	tons	tons	tons	tons	'000 fine oz	'000 fine oz	tons	tons	tons	'000 tons	'000 tons
Monthly average											
1958-59	7,226	27,230	23,571	199	91.7	1,353	6,674	5,531	6,735	1	334
1959-60	8,584	26,577	24,825	187	90.6	1,276	7,186	6,966	9,880	1	358
1960-61	9,152	25,181	27,256	211	89.6	1,232	7,961	10,917	10,052	7	401
1961-62	7,694	24,718	25,707	226	89.2	1,190	9,115	15,576	10,825	1	435
1962-63	8,725	32,529	28,735	234	89.2	1,526	12,177	13,511	12,926	14	405
1963-64	9,796	32,807	28,321	259	81.9	1,628	15,596	22,944	15,314	40	496
1964-65	6,548	30,297	28,953	309	78.9	1,405	16,376	31,123	17,315	87	498
1965-66	9,662	30,746	30,139	382	74.6	1,568	19,324	41,063	19,975	112	603
1966-67	8,370	31,281	33,014	404	71.5	1,566	21,244	42,711	20,889	257	1,085
1967-68p	7,727	30,706	32,646	500	67.1	1,697	23,463	44,159	24,873	376	1,833
1968-69p	9,876	33,543	37,538		61.5	1,947	25,562	52,834	27,695	518	2,720
Monthly total											
1966-67—											
April	7,425	30,779	32,567	538	74.8	1,591	21,854	44,198	23,544	1,121	3,179
May	7,758	35,815	40,017	308	66.3	1,700	23,453	44,782	25,769		
June	6,822	34,800	35,811	538	75.7	1,443	21,179	44,600	24,356		
1967-68p—											
July	7,870	19,994	19,510	541	68.8	1,660	21,489	44,230	23,744	1,116	5,273
August	7,924	38,708	41,094	427	60.9	1,564	23,262	53,680	26,781		
September	7,392	36,266	37,013	614	64.7	2,015	22,153	47,160	24,528		
October	7,563	37,167	40,457	461	65.7	1,822	24,011	47,457	26,281	1,074	5,678
November	7,175	36,942	39,335	487	66.7	1,883	23,840	46,835	24,991		
December	6,678	22,588	24,832	586	65.8	1,678	21,453	41,763	22,137		
January	6,828	22,648	26,201	379	56.1	1,280	24,975	40,469	24,885	986	4,917
February	7,604	31,625	33,920	577	57.7	1,631	21,851	39,155	23,040		
March	8,410	34,123	34,969	361	77.2	1,829	24,258	37,039	24,970		
April	7,451	29,947	31,511	633	71.6	1,667	24,000	43,514	25,426	1,332	6,130
May	8,079	32,212	33,872	456	67.9	1,780	26,258	44,789	27,579		
June	9,747	26,257	29,035	473	82.5	1,558	24,005	43,820	24,119		
1968-69p—											
July	9,334	30,936	32,234	550	60.0	1,841	25,049	47,156	26,780	1,258	7,193
August	8,939	28,711	29,868	596	61.7	1,709	23,537	50,839	26,564		
September	10,563	36,912	40,400	642	63.1	2,164	23,994	51,754	25,924		
October	10,660	38,470	40,857	2,067	72.5	1,957	23,607	48,281	28,945	1,306	7,737
November	9,903	36,970	42,157		54.9	2,024	25,065	50,066	25,917		
December	9,352	32,439	38,477		61.5	1,843	22,388	53,285	25,761		
January	r9,728	r28,062	r32,491	r1,726	r53.3	r1,730	r28,098	r51,800	r27,215	r1,800	8,034
February	r9,332	r29,174	r35,208		r56.9	r1,528	r27,279	r57,986	r27,822		
March	r9,597	r25,771	r26,989		r60.1	r1,712	r27,337	r61,568	r29,169		
April	9,266	36,088	39,652	66.9	2,118	2,118	25,899	51,368	28,662	1,849	9,672
May	r10,307	42,023	43,255		63.5	2,365	26,697	53,865	28,870		
June	11,531	36,958	48,872		63.0	2,372	27,796	56,043	30,708		

(a) Quantities shown are metallic contents of mine products based on chemical assay.

(b) Quantities shown are gross output.

PRODUCTION OF SELECTED MINERALS AND METALS

Period	Fuel minerals					Alum- ina	Refined metals(a)						
	Black coal		Brown Coal	Crude petro- leum	Natural gas		Alumi- nium	Copper (b)	Lead (b) (c)	Zinc (b)	Tin	Gold (d)	Silver
	Original	Sea- sonally ad- justed											
	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 barrels	million cu ft	'000 tons	tons	tons	tons	tons	tons	'000 fine oz	'000 fine oz
Monthly average													
1959-60	1,769	..	1,175	..	..	2	930	5,404	15,595	9,816	189	89.4	616
1960-61	1,912	..	1,310	..	..	2	1,008	5,749	14,568	10,495	202	85.9	660
1961-62	2,036	..	1,394	..	n.a.	3	1,201	5,314	14,541	12,812	203	86.4	552
1962-63	2,025	..	1,481	..	6.1	3	2,239	7,138	17,412	14,654	226	83.8	710
1963-64	2,238	..	1,557	..	8.7	7	4,855	7,435	18,108	15,532	246	75.9	783
1964-65	2,407	..	1,629	165	10.0	16	7,125	4,453	16,586	15,783	244	72.6	745
1965-66	2,688	..	1,796	264	12.6	19	7,269	7,632	15,683	16,378	294	64.5	730
1966-67	2,852	..	1,876	338	12.1	40	7,736	6,193	16,036	16,419	269	60.5	819
1967-68p	3,067	..	1,922	997	13.9	95	7,311	5,996	15,576	15,630	330	54.6	800
1968-69p	3,555	..	1,923	1,172	168.7	133	9,167	7,877	14,639	19,040	330	51.8	754
Monthly total													
1966-67—													
April	2,741	2,854	1,800	459	37.5	181	7,701	3,423	13,891	15,945	88	50.4	899
May	3,471	3,022	2,008	591			7,812	7,835	17,145	16,680	213	52.2	907
June	2,942	2,712	2,292	584			7,634	5,798	13,351	14,806	261	70.1	889
1967-68p—													
July	3,150	2,877	2,207	683	14.6	254	7,859	4,705	15,246	18,345	256	52.5	936
August	3,136	2,924	2,240	609	12.0		7,897	6,060	17,208	16,615	434	51.7	698
September	2,950	3,001	2,011	887	12.8		7,727	6,388	16,197	16,541	353	52.5	799
October	3,166	2,901	1,997	972	10.5	296	7,407	6,520	16,159	16,269	271	66.9	690
November	3,382	2,991	1,969	961	13.1		7,144	5,948	17,092	15,666	569	71.6	831
December	2,496	3,085	1,644	1,070	12.5		7,066	4,507	15,059	13,755	337	48.5	781
January	1,985	3,050	1,584	1,113	12.2	287	7,350	4,326	15,206	15,756	300	42.1	753
February	3,380	3,157	1,589	1,043	11.1		6,819	4,193	14,091	13,854	327	46.0	640
March	3,327	3,151	1,791	1,147	11.2		7,141	5,383	16,381	14,887	251	52.8	833
April	2,775	3,377	1,857	1,117	16.5	300	6,965	7,091	18,373	15,816	280	52.7	896
May	3,796	3,303	1,937	1,274	20.0		7,131	8,036	13,123	14,987	304	50.7	882
June	3,257	3,303	2,238	1,087	20.7		7,227	8,795	12,773	15,074	273	67.3	857
1968-69p—													
July	4,085	3,416	2,346	1,247	21.8	323	8,076	6,767	12,123	19,025	208	64.0	742
August	3,404	3,506	2,296	1,211	21.3		8,393	7,551	13,125	19,084	316	49.9	768
September	3,563	3,459	2,050	1,144	20.0		8,570	7,445	14,097	19,323	388	51.4	662
October	3,956	3,467	1,902	1,207	21.0	380	9,341	9,438	17,145	18,507	314	49.9	825
November	3,972	3,678	1,814	1,133	20.1		9,211	8,559	14,765	18,015	292	66.9	800
December	2,772	3,448	1,568	1,154	19.9		9,586	6,211	14,030	21,154	439	45.6	769
January	2,529	3,565	1,557	1,159	20.4	418	9,369	6,669	15,479	17,330	318	42.2	821
February	3,627	3,555	1,567	1,052	21.9		8,933	8,415	13,443	17,239	196	46.3	650
March	3,654	3,428	1,841	1,195	19.9		9,613	7,880	12,035	20,068	269	45.6	745
April	2,962	3,666	1,707	1,144	54.9	471	9,499	8,351	15,333	19,150	499	47.9	721
May	4,002	3,602	2,156	1,203	551.2		9,772	8,156	15,317	21,263	289	46.7	786
June	4,135	3,957	2,275	1,213	662.9		9,635	9,084	18,770	18,316	432	65.5	756
1969-70p—													
July	4,745	3,928	2,466	1,305	1,048.0				17,061	23,815			

(a) Primary origin only. (b) Source: Bureau of Mineral Resources. (c) Refined lead including lead content of lead alloys from primary sources; excludes lead content of lead-silver bullion produced for export. (d) Newly-won gold of Australian origin. Source: Reserve Bank.

PRODUCTION OF ENERGY AND IRON AND STEEL

Period	Heat, light and power				Iron and steel				
	Total gas available for issue(a)		Total electricity generated		Pig iron	Ingot steel(b)		Blooms and slabs	Tinplate
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted		Original	Seasonally adjusted		
	million therms (c)	million therms (c)	million kWh	million kWh	'000 tons (d)	'000 tons (d)	'000 tons	'000 tons (d)	tons (d)
Monthly average									
1959-60	20.4	..	1,933	..	221	293	..	252	7,315
1960-61	21.4	..	2,068	..	250	312	..	266	8,982
1961-62	22.0	..	2,190	..	282	340	..	277	8,915
1962-63	22.7	..	2,440	..	283	355	..	306	17,512
1963-64	23.5	..	2,710	..	314	398	..	339	16,511
1964-65	24.3	..	2,970	..	328	428	..	375	18,671
1965-66	24.5	..	3,190	..	365	463	..	402	19,688
1966-67	25.1	..	3,457	..	408	510	..	415	20,933
1967-68	26.0	..	3,711	..	434	524	..	448	20,631
1968-69p	r27.6	..	4,065	..	482	555	..	482	21,748
Monthly total									
1967-68—									
July	34.2	25.5	4,191	3,591	438	524	508	468	23,531
August	33.4	26.4	4,213	3,683	449	538	513	467	23,703
September	28.6	26.5	3,766	3,678	427	539	526	467	22,582
October	25.1	25.0	3,628	3,643	416	528	513	473	23,054
November	22.4	24.9	3,520	3,663	382	475	477	432	23,394
December	21.3	25.6	3,322	3,703	435	542	526	457	23,994
January	18.9	25.1	3,250	3,652	445	524	520	456	21,672
February	18.4	24.2	3,287	3,689	420	477	515	416	18,869
March	21.4	25.2	3,550	3,733	460	546	551	470	17,211
April	22.1	24.5	3,440	3,671	442	528	567	448	16,608
May	31.5	28.3	4,153	3,874	466	549	537	479	14,824
June	34.2	28.0	4,265	3,964	435	503	516	445	15,866
1968-69p—									
July	37.5	27.6	4,655	3,892	412	495	480	471	18,052
August	34.8	27.6	4,492	3,951	450	550	521	481	20,020
September	29.9	27.7	4,051	3,987	455	537	522	461	22,179
October	27.8	27.6	3,967	3,932	497	565	548	494	22,059
November	24.5	27.3	3,807	3,978	487	534	538	465	21,952
December	22.6	27.0	3,639	4,025	514	591	566	503	24,339
January	19.5	26.1	3,647	4,112	510	579	572	487	22,602
February	19.9	27.3	3,560	4,149	449	516	586	442	21,878
March	23.3	27.4	3,929	4,123	531	609	608	517	22,862
April	25.0	r27.8	3,858	4,131	487	572	625	490	21,652
May	r31.2	28.1	4,485	4,211	494	548	533	494	22,189
June	35.3	28.7	r4,697	r4,331	497	562	569	475	21,187
1969-70p—									
July	r38.3	r28.2	r4,978	r4,173	489	588	572	530	22,295
August	36.1	28.7	4,676	4,171	508	592	571	530	23,212

(a) Includes gas produced in gas works and gas purchased from petroleum refineries. Does not include natural gas. (b) Includes recovery from scrap. (c) 1 therm — 100,000 British Thermal Units. (d) Monthly averages for twelve months ended May.

PRODUCTION OF BUILDING MATERIALS

Period	Building materials										
	Clay bricks		Roofing tiles		Asbestos cement building sheets	Sawn Aust. grown timber (a)	Portland cement		Plaster sheets	Particle board	Plaster of paris
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Terra-cotta	Concrete			Original	Seasonally adjusted			
	Million	Million	'000	'000	'000 sq yd	Million sup ft	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 sq yd	Million sq ft	'000 tons
Monthly average											
1959-60	86	..	4,739	4,741	2,536	127	219	..	1,550	n.a.	21.4
1960-61	88	..	4,599	4,388	2,462	121	238	..	1,431		20.6
1961-62	83	..	4,171	4,435	2,233	113	234	..	1,278		19.0
1962-63	88	..	4,274	5,040	2,311	118	245	..	1,328		20.1
1963-64	103	..	4,482	6,379	2,482	121	277	..	b1,327		21.7
1964-65	113	..	4,415	7,312	2,706	126	312	..	2,495	7.7	23.1
1965-66	113	..	4,272	6,910	2,697	124	307	..	2,493		22.1
1966-67	113	..	3,941	7,376	2,717	119	305	..	2,550		21.8
1967-68	120	..	3,956	8,069	3,021	121	317	..	2,734	9.6	23.2
1968-69p	135	..	4,161	9,641	3,173	121	332	..	2,941	11.2	23.5
Monthly total											
1967-68—											
July	115	114	3,889	8,640	2,758	109	336	322	2,695	9.6	22.0
August	124	113	4,661	9,007	2,519	134	341	322	3,216	10.2	27.0
September	120	115	3,873	7,933	3,042	134	333	321	2,631	10.5	22.4
October	123	114	3,901	8,360	3,215	143	354	325	2,856	9.9	23.7
November	128	119	4,341	9,119	3,588	127	324	314	3,309	10.9	27.9
December	106	127	3,262	6,060	3,024	114	278	311	2,384	8.9	19.3
January	91	125	2,367	5,244	1,889	82	237	316	1,886	5.7	14.6
February	122	122	3,921	7,886	3,320	105	312	321	2,918	9.6	23.9
March	128	124	4,151	8,932	3,313	124	329	313	2,950	10.0	22.9
April	121	122	3,888	8,285	2,920	117	296	295	2,646	9.2	21.5
May	137	123	4,876	9,333	3,567	135	347	317	3,286	11.4	26.8
June	122	126	4,381	8,009	3,454	126	314	318	2,657	9.7	21.0
1968-69p—											
July	138	126	4,771	9,840	3,413	139	341	323	3,115	12.3	25.3
August	134	128	4,355	9,613	3,357	129	344	326	2,991	11.2	24.1
September	132	130	4,175	9,361	3,254	127	345	333	2,974	11.2	23.5
October	145	129	5,082	10,188	3,514	135	366	335	3,418	13.2	27.6
November	144	137	4,183	10,177	3,519	137	349	339	3,257	11.3	26.2
December	122	140	3,385	7,657	2,796	104	285	319	2,640	9.3	21.3
January	106	148	2,588	6,646	1,400	83	253	339	1,965	6.5	14.9
February	136	141	4,284	10,256	3,401	111	320	340	2,955	11.3	23.8
March	141	138	3,869	10,842	3,584	118	360	343	2,922	12.2	23.5
April	138	137	4,678	9,856	2,880	117	316	315	2,952	12.1	24.1
May	144	133	4,229	11,283	3,695	130	365	334	3,148	12.8	24.4
June	134	137	4,327	9,967	3,258	118	335	339	2,953	10.7	23.0
1969-70p—											
July	155	141					385	365		14.6	
August	146	144					401	382		13.2	

(a) Includes timber for sawn sleepers. Source (for 1962-63 and latter periods) : Commonwealth Forestry and Timber Bureau and Victorian Forests Commission. (b) Prior to July 1964 series refers to the production of Fibrous Plaster Sheets only.

PRODUCTION OF BUILDING FITTINGS, FLOOR COVERINGS AND HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES

Period	Building fittings			Floor coverings (a)	Domestic cooking stoves			Domestic refrigerators		Electric blankets (including mattress overlays) (d)	Electric propeller type fans (complete) (e)
	Baths— C.I.P.E. and other	Wash basins— C.I.P.E. and earthen- ware	Sinks— stainless steel		Solid fuel	Gas(b)— upright or elevated	Electric (c)	Original	Season- ally adjusted		
	No.	No.	No.	'000 sq yd	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Monthly average											
1959-60	10,429	14,094	16,240	1,304	3,071	6,634	9,716	19,763	..	n.a.	n.a.
1960-61	9,719	13,700	16,460	1,141	2,644	6,097	8,992	18,293	..	n.a.	22,293
1961-62	9,171	13,327	14,536	1,094	2,409	5,639	10,282	17,657	..	n.a.	15,318
1962-63	9,101	14,593	14,474	1,364	2,262	5,464	12,139	17,196	..	n.a.	12,183
1963-64	10,930	15,554	16,121	1,541	2,808	6,448	14,671	16,949	..	13,964	13,070
1964-65	12,698	18,391	18,281	1,951	1,968	7,042	16,260	18,977	..	19,140	17,024
1965-66	12,710	17,065	18,284	2,144	1,738	5,939	16,990	17,826	..	25,394	18,617
1966-67	12,873	17,049	18,840	2,023	1,565	6,290	17,605	19,350	..	52,206	26,800
1967-68	13,495	17,700	17,729	2,233	1,243	6,094	17,832	20,428	..	64,826	30,029
1968-69 p	15,078	19,104	18,234	2,418	1,103	7,112	17,994	22,593	..	61,264	34,639
Monthly total											
1967-68—											
July	13,035	16,396	16,261	1,981	1,624	6,190	19,156	20,969	22,236	71,160	23,663
August	13,578	18,216	20,831	2,431	1,963	7,036	20,470	24,277	21,019	56,516	33,046
September	14,342	18,064	22,025	2,232	1,474	7,676	19,438	24,679	21,021	64,439	39,837
October	14,801	15,146	19,705	2,458	1,412	6,858	20,616	24,708	20,454	69,061	48,166
November	15,323	17,223	18,703	2,605	1,325	6,817	22,679	25,382	19,722	65,216	55,080
December	10,932	16,737	12,986	2,128	1,020	5,698	14,691	17,561	18,388	45,202	41,905
January	6,997	7,467	8,305	1,270	554	3,503	8,609	13,394	19,991	30,320	15,266
February	14,944	16,602	18,669	2,311	885	6,284	15,866	18,525	17,847	77,336	24,729
March	15,510	19,017	20,888	2,274	1,028	5,905	18,806	20,062	20,306	76,053	19,060
April	14,429	18,055	18,366	2,398	919	5,236	16,337	15,748	21,933	69,453	15,102
May	15,608	25,930	24,103	2,596	1,454	6,097	19,687	20,045	21,257	83,938	21,662
June	12,448	20,158	17,903	2,118	1,225	5,824	17,623	20,425	22,745	74,719	22,837
1968-69p—											
July	15,930	22,762	19,513	2,647	1,647	6,276	20,528	25,569	25,231	73,394	29,624
August	14,856	19,177	18,468	2,533	1,368	8,012	20,160	27,147	23,992	50,808	38,903
September	14,859	18,914	19,228	2,595	1,094	8,225	23,876	26,626	23,682	34,040	47,609
October	17,302	20,802	18,418	2,999	1,142	8,973	26,555	30,070	22,682	54,160	52,001
November	17,347	20,179	22,128	2,547	1,165	8,245	24,496	27,389	22,495	61,326	54,582
December	11,703	16,172	15,300	2,205	829	6,694	16,740	19,806	21,270	27,604	45,061
January	8,577	13,265	8,321	1,313	553	3,801	10,680	15,561	22,493	22,054	24,834
February	16,002	17,438	18,564	2,419	1,000	7,153	18,909	21,502	21,870	50,473	35,699
March	16,741	21,040	22,021	2,472	990	8,175	18,715	21,720	22,317	68,454	22,251
April	16,061	22,138	18,066	2,278	1,068	5,807	18,686	18,912	25,149	76,667	19,440
May	16,045	17,893	18,107	2,518	1,354	7,211	18,699	18,669	20,515	98,597	21,803
June	15,515	19,476	20,676	2,487	1,033	6,778	17,893	18,142	20,203	117,293	23,862
1969-70p—											
July				2,879				22,099	21,208		
August				2,795				21,365	19,782		

(a) Excludes underfelts and underlays. (b) Town or liquefied petroleum gas stoves or ranges. Includes wall ovens. (c) Includes fixed ranges, wall ovens, cooking tops, grill-boilers and other ranges. (d) Excludes heating pads. (e) Excludes fans incorporated in other equipment or used with ducting.

PRODUCTION OF HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES, ELECTRIC MOTORS AND ENGINES

Period	Domestic clothes washing machines	Electric and gas clothes dryers (rotary and cabinet type)	Hot water jugs and kettles	Radio and radio-grams	Television sets (a)	Room air conditioners (b)	Electric motors			Internal combustion engines—petrol (c)
							Under 1 hp		1 hp and over	
							Original	Seasonally adjusted		
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	'000	'000	'000	No.
Monthly average										
1959-60	16,823	n.a.	18,962	33,549	36,508	3,339	132	..	8.5	24,326
1960-61	16,295	n.a.	19,217	37,899	26,331	5,602	146	..	9.3	15,348
1961-62	18,342	1,193	18,987	30,583	24,125	2,423	135	..	6.8	16,948
1962-63	17,987	1,500	20,945	41,671	24,724	948	154	..	7.5	22,367
1963-64	18,506	2,675	21,703	39,085	22,520	686	176	..	9.4	24,161
1964-65	22,000	2,529	23,928	37,998	25,728	935	205	..	9.9	25,534
1965-66	20,016	2,232	22,923	32,711	23,049	2,189	199	..	10.5	20,455
1966-67	19,300	2,185	25,717	37,147	21,234	3,010	221	..	11.7	23,962
1967-68	23,196	2,972	27,737	43,533	21,104	(d) 2,930	231	..	11.5	21,466
1968-69p	r25,214	3,571	r33,233	r56,271	r23,312	4,791	r250	..	16.3	24,215
Monthly total										
1967-68—						(d)				
July	21,597	4,684	27,663	37,317	23,346	1,842	235	229	12.2	24,390
August	25,990	3,096	31,147	44,214	24,365	3,094	269	231	12.7	36,795
September	23,134	1,031	28,773	45,343	23,054	3,062	255	241	11.1	38,758
October	23,782	784	31,011	52,242	20,691	3,853	254	232	12.7	36,456
November	26,652	513	35,556	65,780	21,905	4,688	287	235	13.6	31,145
December	16,935	645	25,326	48,645	16,184	3,394	202	229	8.5	15,657
January	11,202	487	13,245	17,708	9,164	2,034	131	225	5.9	9,037
February	24,105	1,159	25,749	33,077	21,273	2,985	224	221	9.7	18,386
March	26,001	3,678	29,275	41,277	22,696	2,611	227	229	12.4	12,480
April	21,835	4,398	30,028	41,288	21,288	2,878	204	226	13.1	11,871
May	29,100	8,181	29,124	48,640	28,006	3,399	261	243	15.2	10,131
June	26,866	7,731	26,805	38,598	22,294	2,920	223	231	12.5	9,738
1968-69p—										
July	29,571	7,563	31,201	44,308	27,862	4,766	280	250	17.5	15,833
August	30,086	4,004	35,562	52,604	26,428	5,696	276	251	15.6	34,173
September	26,901	1,577	39,846	53,555	26,189	5,491	267	256	16.3	38,338
October	23,389	1,196	38,180	73,210	27,176	7,325	304	257	18.5	39,905
November	23,615	620	36,689	88,385	24,658	7,274	285	247	18.7	33,535
December	18,472	503	30,164	68,151	16,497	5,879	228	255	14.0	22,905
January	13,431	73	17,863	34,182	11,455	3,029	152	258	10.2	19,268
February	24,226	2,302	30,793	52,019	20,024	4,322	241	249	15.9	20,567
March	28,058	3,553	r37,272	56,428	21,974	3,375	245	251	17.9	21,702
April	26,080	5,911	r36,138	48,907	21,273	3,197	228	243	16.2	16,759
May	28,846	8,420	r38,201	55,958	29,422	3,412	251	245	16.5	10,495
June	r26,902	7,131	26,888	r47,547	r26,790	3,581	r248	r255	18.5	17,102
1969-70p—										
July	30,789			59,400	30,239		305	266	17.6	28,735
August	27,348			50,051	28,439		286	268	17.9	32,947

(a) Includes combinations with radio and/or record player. (b) Includes package unit air conditioners. (c) Excludes motor car, motor cycle, truck, tractor, aero, etc., and marine engines. (d) From July 1967 includes room refrigerated and package unit air conditioners but excludes evaporative room air coolers.

PRODUCTION OF DAIRY PRODUCTS; MEAT; POULTRY SLAUGHTERED

Period	Whole milk for all purposes		Dairy products (Factory production)			Meat (carcass weight)						Dressed weight of poultry slaughtered(c)
			Butter (a)	Cheese (b)	Pro- cessed full cream milk products	Beef and veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pigmeat	Total		
	Original	Season-ally adjusted								Original	Season-ally adjusted	
	Million gal	Million gal	'000 lb	'000 lb	'000 gal(d)	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	Million lb
Monthly average												
1959-60	117.2	..	36,402	8,355	6,886	62.6	30.9	16.9	8.4	118.8	..	..
1960-61	111.6	..	33,452	8,736	6,385	52.7	30.6	17.2	9.0	109.5	..	..
1961-62	120.3	..	36,821	10,356	6,502	65.9	30.7	18.2	10.0	124.9	..	..
1962-63	122.3	..	37,565	10,810	6,931	76.2	30.2	19.2	9.5	135.1	..	..
1963-64	124.7	..	37,858	10,867	7,686	82.1	30.1	18.8	9.3	140.2	..	..
1964-65	126.7	..	37,907	11,501	8,081	84.2	30.1	18.6	10.0	142.9	..	..
1965-66	126.8	..	38,369	10,942	7,766	77.6	32.5	17.4	11.1	138.6	..	12.7
1966-67	133.7	..	40,768	12,820	7,837	72.1	29.1	19.8	11.7	132.6	..	16.3
1967-68	124.8	..	36,026	12,949	7,792	74.1	34.4	20.1	12.3	140.9	..	18.9
1968-69 p	126.8	..	36,602	13,602	7,795	76.9	30.0	25.1	13.3	145.3	..	r20.0
Monthly total												
1966-67—												
June	65.5	120.9	13,532	6,019	3,122	81.5	28.5	18.3	11.2	139.4	131.0	17.3
1967-68—												
July	85.8	128.4	20,473	8,508	5,040	79.4	27.1	16.7	11.5	134.6	137.1	17.5
August	125.6	131.2	36,051	13,411	8,350	78.2	28.2	18.2	12.0	136.7	135.7	18.9
September	159.3	127.4	49,798	17,081	10,516	76.4	32.9	19.3	12.0	140.6	147.3	18.1
October	193.0	128.8	62,686	21,076	12,683	75.7	42.3	22.8	12.7	153.5	152.5	18.4
November	188.5	128.8	61,332	20,472	12,094	75.8	43.0	24.3	13.3	156.4	151.7	20.9
December	172.7	125.8	55,109	18,831	11,356	65.2	42.8	21.6	12.3	141.9	152.6	19.3
January	154.2	124.3	48,112	15,942	9,981	61.8	39.3	20.5	11.1	132.6	143.1	18.8
February	118.4	121.1	33,785	11,685	7,386	70.0	38.8	20.4	11.7	141.0	140.9	18.6
March	95.5	117.8	24,126	9,303	5,317	75.4	37.4	20.7	12.7	146.3	141.4	17.9
April	74.3	110.6	16,452	6,645	3,768	72.1	26.9	19.3	12.4	130.8	135.4	17.0
May	65.9	115.8	12,580	5,882	3,448	82.0	28.5	19.9	13.3	143.7	125.0	22.5
June	64.4	123.1	11,818	6,596	3,559	77.6	24.9	18.0	12.4	132.9	134.0	18.6
1968-69p—												
July	88.3	128.2	20,746	10,209	4,982	84.5	24.8	21.3	13.2	143.8	138.4	r20.0
August	127.5	134.1	36,015	15,379	7,971	77.7	24.4	23.1	12.5	137.7	140.9	19.2
September	161.3	129.1	49,679	19,273	10,592	77.0	23.9	26.7	13.4	141.1	150.3	19.6
October	186.1	123.5	59,184	21,940	12,017	77.3	28.8	35.8	13.8	155.7	146.3	r21.3
November	179.7	122.7	57,328	20,349	11,388	69.2	30.5	31.4	13.3	144.4	145.0	r21.2
December	170.7	123.2	54,005	18,661	11,156	60.1	29.5	27.7	13.5	130.8	138.9	20.5
January	149.8	121.2	46,412	15,187	9,403	63.8	31.3	24.9	12.4	132.4	139.8	19.9
February	113.4	119.9	32,484	10,064	7,056	67.1	33.3	21.4	12.3	134.2	140.8	19.3
March	110.7	137.2	30,341	10,114	7,004	76.9	34.3	21.7	13.7	146.7	143.7	20.1
April	89.7	134.5	22,672	8,253	4,938	81.0	31.6	21.2	13.9	147.6	150.5	18.7
May	74.8	133.8	16,130	6,686	3,763	93.9	34.5	23.3	14.0	165.6	148.9	20.7
June	69.6	130.6	14,224	7,115	3,275	93.9	33.0	23.2	13.2	163.2	161.6	r20.1
1969-70p—												
July	96.2	141.1			6,092	105.0	35.9	25.9	15.3	182.1	172.9	22.8

(a) Includes the butter equivalent of butter oil production. Source: From July 1966, Commonwealth Dairy Produce Equalisation Committee Ltd and State Departments of agriculture. (b) From July 1966, as reported by Commonwealth Dairy Produce Equalisation Committee Ltd and by producers not within the equalisation scheme. (c) Dressed weight of all birds (chickens, other fowls, ducks and drakes, and turkeys) including pieces and giblets. Particulars prior to 1965-66 were not collected. (d) Whole milk equivalent.

PRODUCTION OF FLOUR, SUGAR, BEER, TOBACCO AND CHEMICALS

Period	Wheaten flour	Refined sugar (a)	Beer		Tobacco, cigars and cigarettes		Chemicals and allied products					
			Original	Season-ally adjusted	Original	Season-ally adjusted	Sulphuric acid (100%)		Super-phosphate (b)	Sulphate of ammonia (c)	Paints	
							Original	Season-ally adjusted			Ready-mixed paints and enamels	Lacquers, nitro-cellulose
	'000 short tons	'000 tons	million gal	million gal	'000 lb (d)	'000 lb	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 gal	'000 gal
Monthly average												
1959-60	126	45.0	19.3	..	4,563	..	89	..	198	8.74	1,066	150
1960-61	130	43.7	19.7	..	4,853	..	94	..	211	8.25	1,053	114
1961-62	125	46.1	20.1	..	4,659	..	95	..	216	8.68	1,108	109
1962-63	122	47.0	20.8	..	4,742	..	105	..	239	7.79	1,154	120
1963-64	139	48.0	21.9	..	4,674	..	121	..	279	7.13	1,291	127
1964-65	129	49.4	22.9	..	4,878	..	141	..	309	9.10	1,355	130
1965-66	118	50.8	24.1	..	4,688	..	148	..	349	9.18	1,257	120
1966-67	116	51.1	25.3	..	4,845	..	166	..	383	8.80	1,336	119
1967-68	118	51.2	26.4	..	4,915	..	158	..	358	5.86	1,373	119
1968-69p	117	53.3	26.8	..	5,197	..	154	..	327	8.79	1,404	125
Monthly total												
1967-68—	r		(e)									
July	113	49.0	20.9	25.6	5,162	4,787	138	157	262	8.65	1,280	110
August	121	50.8	25.5	26.8	5,214	4,644	157	164	342	6.44	1,459	119
September	114	50.5	25.0	25.6	4,699	4,674	174	173	386	6.34	1,413	118
October	123	54.6	28.0	25.3	5,763	5,076	161	161	361	5.35	1,524	129
November	138	55.5	28.9	24.0	5,043	4,623	154	167	350	5.01	1,688	144
December	116	49.4	32.1	27.6	3,931	4,839	162	163	364	4.62	1,299	99
January	106	49.4	28.9	27.3	3,446	4,948	164	162	437	4.53	995	71
February	101	52.1	28.8	27.9	4,979	4,861	165	160	415	4.17	1,345	125
March	115	59.0	28.7	28.0	5,365	5,229	156	144	348	9.76	1,443	136
April	114	50.9	26.2	27.8	5,249	5,587	171	156	384	4.55	1,320	120
May	136	50.4	25.2	26.9	4,981	5,012	165	153	390	4.97	1,521	136
June	122	42.6	18.9	24.8	5,152	5,123	126	133	256	5.98	1,197	120
1968-69p—												
July	133	50.6	f 23.0	f 26.3	6,028	5,106	119	131	244	5.30	1,401	125
August	120	55.6	22.7	24.8	5,519	5,147	150	157	345	9.04	1,360	120
September	111	56.7	25.8	26.4	4,805	4,786	174	180	368	9.13	1,388	119
October	123	57.0	31.3	27.4	6,131	5,161	165	160	351	8.36	1,629	144
November	129	61.3	30.8	26.5	5,600	5,377	140	151	298	9.32	1,646	148
December	95	52.5	30.7	25.3	3,866	4,533	164	166	338	11.61	1,368	111
January	95	51.5	28.9	27.7	4,231	6,083	157	155	310	9.81	1,006	79
February	103	55.3	27.6	27.8	5,238	5,367	167	167	374	6.65	1,395	129
March	117	57.2	27.8	26.7	5,172	5,046	178	166	371	7.66	1,508	138
April	117	47.1	26.3	28.0	5,142	5,476	168	152	368	9.36	1,362	114
May	136	51.1	25.0	27.6	5,231	5,501	148	137	322	9.41	1,477	135
June	120	44.2	21.7	27.4	5,400	5,114	124	133	238	9.83	1,311	133
1969-70p—												
July		51.8	25.2	29.0	6,455	5,470	105	116		12.76		
August			25.0	28.5	5,646	5,519						

(a) Production in July 1966, and later months is as reported by the Department of Primary Industry. (b) Source: Department of Primary Industry. As from June 1964 includes double and triple superphosphate and ammonium phosphate expressed in terms of single superphosphate, i.e., 22% P₂O₅ equivalent. (c) Source: Nitrogen Fertilisers Pty Ltd from July 1962 to June 1968. (d) Source: Department of Customs and Excise. (e) Production is as reported by the Department of Customs and Excise and includes waste beer. (f) From July 1968, figures collected by Commonwealth Bureau of Census and Statistics, exclude waste beer.

PRODUCTION OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND TYRES; WOOL

Period	Motor vehicles(a)						Pneumatic tyres— motor cycle, car, truck, aero., etc.(c)	Wool received into brokers' stores		Wool prices index Sydney (e)	Scoured and carbon- ised wool
	Cars and station wagons	Utilities	Panel vans	Trucks and truck- type vehicles	Total motor vehicles(b)			Original (d)	Season- ally adjusted		
					No.	No.					
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	'000	'000 bales	'000 bales	cents per lb	mill. lb
Monthly average											
1959-60	19,197	2,573	n.a.	n.a.	23,699	..	352	411	..	46.9	15.0
1960-61	19,018	2,444			23,415	..	360	393	..	42.9	13.2
1961-62	16,890	2,054			20,495	..	333	400	..	45.1	14.0
1962-63	f24,960	f2,321			28,805	..	418	391	..	48.6	14.3
1963-64	26,778	2,530	1,011	2,076	31,548	..	425	416	..	56.7	13.4
1964-65	27,872	2,259	1,113	2,354	33,645	..	460	424	..	48.0	13.2
1965-66	24,477	2,858	1,231	1,814	30,415	..	462	376	..	50.3	13.0
1966-67	24,688	2,929	1,179	1,878	30,711	..	483	401	..	48.6	12.8
1967-68	27,501	2,728	1,263	1,856	33,413	..	565	403	..	44.7	13.2
1968-69p	28,473	2,944	1,333	r2,147	r34,987	..	621	433			13.0
Monthly total											
1967-68—											
July	26,474	3,215	1,317	1,930	32,986	31,178	591	283	399	46	12.9
August	28,043	3,524	1,443	1,830	34,891	30,741	566	543	406	43	12.3
September	24,805	2,828	1,519	1,946	31,148	31,368	581	736	393	43	11.2
October	30,010	2,979	1,545	2,313	36,892	37,378	617	790	405	43	12.4
November	30,928	3,235	1,785	2,189	38,180	33,698	637	668	404	43	14.7
December	19,243	2,386	1,114	1,615	24,391	33,140	494	324	402	44	11.1
January	13,441	817	386	991	15,670	30,251	240	179	396	44	11.3
February	33,235	1,110	878	2,034	37,296	35,285	575	298	431	46	14.4
March	35,461	1,592	920	2,028	40,022	37,509	609	347	406	46	14.8
April	30,314	3,243	1,310	1,789	36,685	35,038	561	287	415	46	13.3
May	32,206	4,141	1,447	2,214	40,015	32,639	710	198	340	46	15.3
June	25,919	3,629	1,114	2,078	32,781	32,946	600	188	452	46	14.1
1968-69p—											
July	31,162	4,116	1,628	2,087	39,036	34,122	683	270	380	45	14.1
August	30,443	3,140	1,913	2,172	37,730	35,461	660	503	388	45	12.4
September	29,900	3,754	1,365	2,207	37,306	36,827	679	762	402	46	12.2
October	32,390	3,593	1,574	2,183	39,829	37,016	675	781	388	48	14.2
November	29,274	3,307	1,261	2,090	35,983	35,382	645	722	456	49	13.3
December	21,155	2,289	971	1,769	26,274	34,078	516	398	471	47	11.2
January	14,994	1,638	699	1,222	18,603	35,638	355	237	532	47	10.6
February	27,217	3,005	1,380	2,211	33,948	34,360	636	316	482	47	13.6
March	31,057	2,601	1,305	2,537	37,629	34,053	617	405	456	46	15.0
April	29,494	2,520	1,361	2,238	35,731	33,456	630	328	481	46	12.5
May	33,186	2,233	1,158	2,590	39,294	33,700	659	269	454	p46	13.0
June	31,401	3,135	1,377	r2,459	r38,484	r37,363	692	208	502	p45	13.7
1969-70p—											
July	r36,536	3,956	1,594	r2,543	r44,732	r38,364	722	325	452	p43	
August	34,714			2,516	42,442	42,698		621	505	p43	

(a) Finished and partly finished motor vehicles. (b) Includes buses and ambulances. (c) Source: Department of Supply.
 (d) First hand receipts as recorded by the National Council of Wool Selling Brokers. (e) Average price which a New South Wales clip of
 constant average quality would realise if sold at the level of prices obtaining in the specified month. Annual prices are averages of monthly prices
 weighted by quantity of greasy wool sold in month in New South Wales. (f) Prior to July 1963 the series represent the production of bodies
 assembled from local and imported panels.

PRODUCTION OF YARNS AND TEXTILES

Period	Yarns(a)			Woven cloth(a) (b)						Blankets
	Cotton	Wool	Cellulosic fibre (including mixtures)	Cotton(c)		Wool(d)		Cellulosic fibre	Synthetic fibre	
				Original	Season-ally adjusted	Original	Season-ally adjusted			
	'000 lb	'000 lb	'000 lb	'000 sq yd	'000 sq yd	'000 sq yd	'000 sq yd	'000 sq yd	'000 sq yd	'000
Monthly average										
1959-60	3,868	4,213	295	3,594	..	2,520	..	1,484	611	161
1960-61	3,574	4,090	274	3,641	..	2,205	..	1,729	837	159
1961-62	3,612	3,811	266	3,802	..	2,079	..	1,713	1,136	141
1962-63	3,890	4,280	307	3,924	..	2,352	..	1,990	1,528	154
1963-64	4,616	4,350	382	4,446	..	1,976	..	2,233	1,660	181
1964-65	4,924	4,515	518	4,722	..	2,036	..	2,668	1,874	173
1965-66	4,918	4,338	498	4,642	..	1,949	..	2,749	1,734	142
1966-67	5,066	5,066	564	4,798	..	1,762	..	2,974	1,961	144
1967-68	5,071	4,458	768	4,920	..	1,950	..	3,102	2,325	138
1968-69p	5,001	4,501	906	4,726	..	1,967	..	3,015	2,644	132
Monthly total										
1967-68—										
July	4,949	4,453	708	4,834	4,753	1,615	1,815	3,259	2,137	206
August	5,905	5,200	787	5,535	4,805	1,998	1,980	3,531	2,558	156
September	5,837	4,592	765	5,834	4,952	1,910	1,899	3,519	2,564	144
October	5,614	5,232	874	5,334	5,026	2,244	1,941	3,204	2,457	143
November	5,404	5,251	779	5,248	4,993	2,417	1,984	3,130	2,393	133
December	4,295	3,711	682	4,247	5,119	1,721	1,936	2,490	1,838	84
January	2,518	2,785	393	2,173	4,892	1,280	1,869	1,465	1,163	71
February	4,981	4,580	561	4,936	4,966	2,245	1,976	2,901	2,274	121
March	5,411	4,422	857	5,434	4,885	2,147	1,921	3,364	2,606	134
April	4,748	4,374	865	4,611	4,775	1,838	1,943	2,837	2,321	135
May	5,809	4,716	1,023	5,552	4,900	2,036	1,935	3,715	3,085	181
June	5,269	4,191	919	5,101	4,714	1,716	1,984	3,499	2,951	140
1968-69p—				r	r			r	r	
July	5,480	r4,813	846	5,213	5,130	1,957	1,995	3,143	2,962	172
August	5,585	r4,536	919	6,035	4,975	1,817	1,942	3,503	2,921	146
September	5,534	4,531	982	5,078	4,746	1,961	1,961	3,550	2,863	137
October	5,686	5,308	1,162	5,153	4,780	2,448	1,992	3,327	2,823	147
November	5,513	4,774	924	5,561	4,904	2,241	1,944	3,305	2,727	125
December	3,885	3,737	711	3,628	4,592	1,911	2,058	2,419	2,136	85
January	2,904	2,848	535	2,537	5,588	1,449	2,181	1,705	1,354	69
February	4,563	4,839	1,019	4,385	4,544	2,223	2,028	2,763	2,383	115
March	5,176	4,591	837	4,996	4,718	2,088	1,874	3,063	2,639	133
April	5,410	4,827	979	4,329	4,481	2,005	2,044	2,746	2,480	151
May	5,561	r4,573	1,061	5,034	4,245	1,856	1,862	3,133	3,264	147
June	r5,716	r4,639	901	4,760	4,617	r1,650	r1,875	3,522	3,176	153
1969-70p—										
July	5,766	5,291		4,502	4,346	2,399	2,438	2,967	3,207	
August	5,769	4,421		5,244	4,392	2,108	2,316	3,276	3,132	

(a) Includes mixtures predominantly of the fibre named. (b) Over 12 inches wide. (c) Excludes towels and towelling.
 (d) Excludes blanketing and rug material.

PRODUCTION OF CLOTHING

Period	Hosiery		Men's and youths'—			Shirts, men's and boys'	Underwear		Boots, shoes and sandals (not rubber)	
	Men's	Women's full length	Short length coats and jackets (a)		Sports trousers		Men's and boys'	Women's and girls'	Original	Seasonally adjusted
			Suit	Other						
	'000 doz pairs	'000 doz pairs	'000	'000	'000	'000 doz	'000 doz	'000 doz	'000 pairs	'000 pairs
Monthly average										
1959-60	130	212	64.7	75.7	272	153	157	265	2,136	..
1960-61	113	218	66.8	70.2	303	152	160	281	2,026	..
1961-62	118	235	68.7	68.9	309	135	170	278	2,122	..
1962-63	137	285	75.7	59.6	342	160	178	297	2,228	..
1963-64	136	316	78.1	60.3	338	164	174	313	(b) 2,916	..
1964-65	142	353	84.2	61.5	357	179	191	312	2,942	..
1965-66	141	362	83.8	67.4	355	189	188	319	2,912	..
1966-67	151	391	81.1	77.4	356	184	188	308	3,084	..
1967-68	159	420	79.2	70.0	335	181	199	333	3,173	..
1968-69p	r158	r438	81.6	77.4	371	194	199	359	r3,193	..
Monthly total										
1967-68—		(c)								
July	167	475	75.1	67.3	318	201		324	3,327	3,208
August	187	510	95.3	66.9	370	228	182	359	3,901	3,229
September	176	487	90.2	64.8	360	213	231	328	3,570	3,154
October	175	519	88.7	70.3	347	224	220	366	3,700	3,184
November	185	511	96.6	68.1	382	243	234	423	3,917	3,331
December	123	r328	73.2	47.3	269	158	252	304	2,490	3,259
January	91	261	38.8	35.1	185	84	181	186	1,756	3,240
February	149	458	75.6	85.1	358	173	104	325	3,066	3,141
March	154	r451	79.2	101.8	403	163	197	325	3,140	3,118
April	155	407	76.3	85.8	384	153	194	324	3,001	3,078
May	180	460	85.5	91.5	423	198	188	369	3,403	3,091
June	162	388	78.4	81.2	320	187	224	327	2,726	3,019
					r		180			
1968-69p—										
July	197	561	81.5	77.8	342	214		389	3,566	3,139
August	191	539	87.6	65.5	349	220	223	358	3,574	3,160
September	189	541	86.7	62.0	340	215	203	385	3,745	3,300
October	195	587	94.9	64.7	405	245	200	420	4,082	3,300
November	180	577	97.7	60.7	375	228	230	445	3,574	3,249
December	119	370	79.9	52.0	317	160	226	335	2,452	3,088
January	78	293	39.3	43.4	217	97	169	213	1,756	3,258
February	152	540	78.8	89.5	415	176	102	383	3,049	3,264
March	149	r487	83.9	97.2	430	181	200	369	3,212	3,183
April	151	r433	79.8	111.6	453	192	194	353	3,142	3,129
May	149	r452	85.4	107.9	437	199	217	332	r3,136	r3,021
June	150	r439	84.0	95.9	376	200	203	319	3,032	3,243
							221			
1969-70p—										
July										

(a) Excludes plastic coats and dust coats. (b) From July 1963, includes all footwear of cemented, vulcanised-moulded rubber and injection-moulded plastic construction. (c) From July 1967 includes panty hose.

MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS

Period	Mattresses, inner spring	Lawn mowers, petrol (rotary)	Motor spirit (a)	Aviation turbine fuel (a)	Furnace fuel (a)	Plastics and synthetic resins (b)	Newsprint	Soap	Margarine	
									Table	Other
	'000	No.	Million gal	Million gal	'000 tons	'000 cwt	Tons	'000 cwt	'000 lb	'000 lb
Monthly average										
1959-60	51.6	20,240	88	5.5	258	99	7,376	105	1,332	2,187
1960-61	49.5	16,335	96	6.0	293	89	7,336	104	1,344	2,281
1961-62	52.9	16,726	101	7.4	323	112	7,480	98	n.a.	5,406
1962-63	53.7	18,098	105	6.3	386	143	7,520	101	n.a.	5,634
1963-64	57.4	16,600	113	7.2	391	165	7,670	102	n.a.	6,685
1964-65	60.6	16,760	124	7.5	406	177	7,762	98	5,911	5,755
1965-66	58.8	14,700	127	10.2	445	202	7,768	138	4,475	5,657
1966-67	56.9	18,319	147	13.3	489	238	8,105	134	4,030	6,345
1967-68	55.0	15,409	158	17.7	517	279	7,721	119	2,965	7,440
1968-69p	54.8	17,463	169	18.6	510	320	10,328	112	2,986	8,389
Monthly total										
1967-68—										
July	55.7	15,893	150	13.0	487	286	8,062	142	4,339	8,465
August	62.4	25,363	157	15.0	488	295	8,016	126	3,202	8,127
September	54.8	29,447	159	18.2	524	273	8,061	107	3,099	7,677
October	57.9	31,062	163	17.2	557	271	8,314	123	3,234	7,610
November	59.7	25,081	151	18.7	546	279	7,805	115	3,003	7,539
December	56.2	9,599	165	20.1	501	270	6,099	115	2,429	6,273
January	41.2	7,837	177	16.7	571	253	6,757	88	1,650	4,213
February	56.9	16,032	154	19.1	440	268	7,663	103	3,224	5,993
March	57.7	9,598	156	18.0	500	278	8,226	128	2,558	6,969
April	51.2	7,534	149	18.2	537	295	7,985	116	3,358	8,345
May	59.4	5,478	169	19.7	555	294	7,967	129	3,477	8,038
June	46.1	1,961	146	18.3	499	283	7,692	125	2,513	9,513
1968-69p—										
July	56.7	6,634	162	13.5	596	316	7,670	129	3,392	10,422
August	56.5	27,109	171	20.8	575	326	8,182	110	3,300	8,582
September	54.5	31,971	157	17.8	579	301	8,014	121	2,802	8,209
October	62.1	32,664	181	19.8	595	299	8,394	123	3,668	9,005
November	56.3	22,827	155	18.0	527	312	7,532	120	2,599	9,749
December	58.3	15,190	183	22.9	543	343	5,869	91	2,899	6,060
January	40.6	15,138	165	20.4	503	293	10,490	80	1,902	5,406
February	53.0	16,309	162	17.5	409	313	11,353	111	2,976	6,544
March	55.7	15,724	174	20.0	500	361	13,725	119	2,760	7,953
April	53.7	12,048	177	17.1	455	315	13,405	99	3,349	9,562
May	57.6	5,135	165	18.6	422	310	14,722	119	3,599	10,098
June	52.4	8,804	170	16.4	418	348	14,579	117	2,587	9,081
1969-70p—										
July		19,875	173	15.2	476		14,891		3,870	10,469
August		24,995								

(a) Source: Department of National Development.
content.

(b) Liquid resins or emulsion forms are shown in terms of dry weight of resin

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDEXES: VARIOUS COUNTRIES

(Source: *Monthly Bulletin of Statistics* of the Statistical Office of the United Nations)

Unless otherwise stated, the indexes shown below include mining, manufacturing, electricity and manufactured gas but exclude construction. When the indexes are adjusted for differences in the number of working days per month or for seasonal variations they are footnoted accordingly. A short dash on each side of an index number (e.g., -119-) indicates that two series have been linked at that period.

(Base of each index: Year 1963=100)

Period	Belgium	Canada (a)	France (a)	Germany West (a)	Italy	Japan	Nether- lands	Norway (a)	Sweden (a)	United King- dom (a) (b)	U.S.A. (a)
1961 . . .	88	86	90	93	84	83	90	91	89	96	88
1962 . . .	93	94	95	97	92	90	95	95	94	97	95
1963 . . .	100	100	100	100	100	-100-	-100-	100	100	100	100
1964 . . .	107	110	107	108	102	116	110	109	110	108	106
1965 . . .	109	119	109	114	107	120	116	115	119	111	115
1966 . . .	111	128	116	116	-119-	136	123	122	123	112	126
1967 . . .	113	130	120	114	128	162	129	127	126	112	127
1968 . . .	120	137	125	128	136	190	143	132	r133	117	133
1967—											
May . . .	108	131	122	114	134	155	125	118	135	113	126
June . . .	119	134	127	113	132	162	133	138	133	114	128
July . . .	83	121	109	108	134	162	107	76	55	104	121
August . . .	108	128	75	99	95	159	130	130	122	97	127
September . . .	124	133	121	118	135	170	130	136	135	113	130
October . . .	122	133	125	121	139	171	143	141	136	116	130
November . . .	120	136	129	127	134	174	146	146	140	119	130
December . . .	116	132	134	128	125	182	133	127	137	116	129
1968—											
January . . .	116	129	129	110	128	166	138	131	133	113	128
February . . .	116	133	132	116	133	178	135	140	134	119	131
March . . .	120	134	134	122	139	191	140	142	138	123	132
April . . .	120	136	134	127	136	181	139	122	141	114	131
May . . .	121	139	93	128	143	184	146	132	140	120	133
June . . .	118	142	108	137	134	189	132	138	140	118	136
July . . .	98	127	116	116	145	192	125	86	60	108	129
August . . .	114	131	81	118	100	185	140	133	132	105	131
September . . .	127	141	129	134	143	197	142	141	143	118	136
October . . .	138	144	141	135	154	201	164	148	147	123	137
November . . .	125	147	147	150	139	206	160	147	150	126	136
December . . .	124	141	148	141	139	211	158	129	148	119	134
1969—											
January . . .	130	139	143	128	141	192	156	135	146	117	134
February . . .	121	145	145	136	136	205	147	145	144	123	137
March . . .	133	148	144	141	r152	219	r161	147	150	125	139
April . . .	139	145	148	145	149	r214	r156	127	153	118	138
May . . .	r127	146		r154	154	213	153	131	153	121	139
June . . .				155				148			142

(a) Adjusted for number of working days.

(b) Includes construction.

REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES(a)

Period	Cars and station wagons		Utilities, panel vans, trucks(b), omnibuses, ambulances, hearses		Total (excluding motor cycles)		Motor cycles	Total motor vehicles
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted		
Monthly average								
1959-60	18,681	..	5,757	..	24,438	..	807	25,246
1960-61	18,594	..	4,931	..	23,526	..	655	24,181
1961-62	18,012	..	4,345	..	22,356	..	593	22,949
1962-63	23,745	..	5,007	..	28,752	..	452	29,204
1963-64	27,444	..	5,901	..	33,344	..	456	33,801
1964-65	28,962	..	6,123	..	35,085	..	624	35,709
1965-66	25,671	..	6,312	..	31,983	..	724	32,706
1966-67	26,181	..	6,330	..	32,511	..	1,100	33,611
1967-68	30,563	..	6,371	..	36,934	..	1,745	38,678
1968-69p	31,174	..	7,077	..	38,251	..	1,997	40,248
Monthly total								
1967-68—								
July	27,331	27,758	6,765	6,368	34,096	34,049	1,262	35,358
August	30,210	28,084	7,023	6,470	37,233	34,711	1,283	38,516
September	28,553	29,760	6,343	6,281	34,896	36,172	1,373	36,269
October	31,442	30,509	6,882	6,578	38,324	36,920	1,764	40,088
November	32,476	30,669	7,056	6,237	39,532	36,702	1,813	41,345
December	29,635	30,175	5,618	6,288	35,253	36,596	1,625	36,878
January	25,675	29,982	5,379	6,792	31,054	36,751	1,744	32,798
February	29,703	31,236	5,847	6,410	35,550	37,650	2,493	38,043
March	31,643	30,959	5,453	5,538	37,096	36,750	2,333	39,429
April	31,700	31,657	5,401	5,972	37,101	37,507	1,923	39,024
May	36,823	32,560	7,475	6,537	44,298	38,838	1,977	46,275
June	31,567	33,621	7,217	7,299	38,784	41,316	1,346	40,130
1968-69—								
July	31,825	30,171	8,141	6,982	39,966	37,229	1,688	41,654
August	28,235	27,727	7,309	7,090	35,544	34,790	1,633	37,177
September	27,243	28,961	6,829	6,855	34,072	35,760	1,789	35,861
October	32,772	29,818	7,857	7,104	40,629	37,122	1,999	42,628
November	30,870	30,488	7,532	7,003	38,402	37,218	2,014	40,416
December	30,780	30,817	6,425	6,899	37,205	37,531	1,948	39,153
January	27,506	31,611	5,594	7,063	33,100	38,774	2,102	35,202
February	30,314	33,420	6,530	7,506	36,844	40,983	2,486	39,330
March	34,530	34,397	7,478	7,546	42,008	42,000	2,646	44,654
April	31,185	30,130	6,719	7,359	37,904	37,678	2,051	39,955
May	36,999	33,913	8,048	7,370	45,047	40,803	2,076	47,123
June	31,826	33,643	6,456	6,305	38,282	39,960	1,536	39,818
1969-70—								
July	36,084	33,442	7,858	6,693	43,942	40,314	1,988	45,930
August p	32,707	33,307	7,627	7,751	40,334	41,115	1,757	42,091

(a) Registrations during period. Includes Commonwealth-owned vehicles except those belonging to the defence services. (b) Includes all truck-type vehicles.

RAILWAYS AND SHIPPING

Part of the shipping cargo is recorded in tons weight and part in tons measurement. As the total cannot be stated accurately as either tons weight or tons measurement, each is recorded and published separately; 1 'ton measurement' equals 40 cubic feet.

Period	Government railways				Overseas cargo				Interstate cargo shipped	
	Goods and livestock		Pas-senger-journeys	Gross earnings	Shipped from Australian ports		Discharged at Australian ports			
	Tons carried	Net ton-miles			Tons weight	Tons measure-ment	Tons weight	Tons measure-ment	Tons weight	Tons measure-ment
	'000	Million	Million	\$ million	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
Monthly average										
1957-58	3,771	567.4	41.2	29.7	614	124	1,143	243	1,051	96
1958-59	4,003	610.0	40.4	30.7	720	122	1,186	222	1,030	88
1959-60	4,264	667.1	39.9	32.4	843	123	1,288	272	1,076	113
1960-61	4,614	732.3	38.6	34.7	1,146	129	1,439	317	1,143	123
1961-62	4,630	735.2	38.5	34.6	1,443	128	1,459	230	1,138	99
1962-63	4,659	771.1	38.7	35.4	1,280	129	1,625	283	1,195	92
1963-64	5,145	875.0	39.2	38.7	1,645	155	1,731	329	1,303	101
1964-65	5,404	928.7	38.7	40.3	1,702	165	1,934	370	1,342	117
1965-66	5,362	917.6	38.3	39.6	1,812	170	2,013	343	1,348	124
1966-67	5,707	959.7	37.9	42.5	2,724	162	2,259	346	1,307	148
1967-68	5,922	1,022.0	37.7	43.9	3,445	175	2,297	390	1,434	156
Monthly total										
1966-67—										
March	5,688	986.9	35.7	43.4	3,054	209	2,250	352	1,341	160
April	5,621	983.7	35.5	42.8	3,122	222	2,294	350	1,270	149
May	6,416	1,116.0	43.7	48.1	3,143	264	2,251	367	1,400	155
June	5,798	1,015.0	34.7	45.1	3,010	165	2,151	397	1,282	140
1967-68—										
July	5,947	997.5	42.3	43.8	3,429	177	1,898	368	1,486	142
August	6,490	1,088.2	35.4	47.3	3,378	138	2,679	422	1,317	148
September	6,333	1,075.9	40.9	46.5	3,462	177	2,101	392	1,435	154
October	6,411	1,082.8	38.0	46.9	3,811	144	2,524	398	1,487	164
November	6,432	1,097.3	34.5	46.3	3,432	147	2,255	338	1,412	149
December	5,238	921.6	32.9	40.3	3,295	158	2,553	325	1,406	150
January	4,707	838.1	36.1	38.5	3,352	91	2,282	433	1,470	129
February	5,842	1,004.5	41.6	41.9	3,169	150	1,951	342	1,353	156
March	5,988	1,078.4	37.2	43.8	3,430	189	2,350	404	1,282	171
April	5,566	1,004.5	36.9	42.4	3,423	250	2,291	422	1,369	179
May	6,209	1,078.2	41.3	45.0	3,953	310	2,365	431	1,595	177
June	5,898	996.5	35.6	44.0	3,205	172	2,323	408	1,595	156
1968-69p—										
July	6,806	1,117.4	42.3	47.1	4,034	183	2,547	491	1,545	160
August	6,422	1,083.0	36.7	45.9	4,066	161	2,492	469	1,561	139
September	6,416	1,105.8	43.8	46.3	4,271	148	2,526	514	1,492	160
October	6,575	1,112.2	34.1	46.0	4,238	152	2,455	451	1,649	182
November	6,586	1,102.5	34.7	44.9	4,362	145	2,202	478	1,708	170
December	5,860	1,019.0	34.5	45.2	4,750	158	2,568	406	1,617	159
January	5,369	933.8	32.2	40.0	4,031	129	2,559	434	1,444	142
February	5,813	1,019.0	38.8	40.3	4,265	102	2,072	368	1,451	175
March	6,782	1,187.5	38.0	48.2	4,948	182	2,629	403	1,380	187
April	6,190	1,116.4	34.0	45.5	5,037	276	2,183	395	1,572	177

COMMUNICATION

POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S RECEIPTS, TELEPHONE SERVICES AND BROADCAST AND TELEVISION LICENCES

Period	Telephone subscribers' services			Licences for broadcast and television receivers(b)				
	Effective applications during period(c)	Services connected during period	Services in operation at end of period	New issues of Licences(d)			Licences in force at end of period	
				Broadcast	Television	Combined	Broadcast (including combined licences)	Television (including combined licences)
	'000 (e)	'000 (e)	'000 (f)	'000 (e)	'000 (e)	'000 (e)	'000	'000
1959-60.	14.1	13.9	1,514	13.3	33.6	..	2,283	955
1960-61.	14.1	15.1	1,631	12.9	26.9	..	2,256	1,217
1961-62.	17.1	17.4	1,718	10.8	(g) 24.0	..	2,220	1,424
1962-63.	22.5	22.1	1,812	14.5	24.4	..	2,240	1,655
1963-64.	26.5	24.8	1,919	15.5	22.5	..	2,302	1,882
1964-65.	23.9	25.4	2,010	(b) 14.1	(b) 19.5	(b) 19.4	2,358	2,045
1965-66.	25.2	26.7	2,120	6.4	5.1	16.8	2,526	2,226
1966-67.	27.7	28.2	2,235	6.0	5.0	17.5	2,538	2,405
1967-68.	30.0	29.9	2,359	6.0	4.7	18.2	2,580	2,519
1968-69p	34.2	33.8	2,511	5.5	6.2	17.0	2,630	2,649
1966-67—	(h)	(h)		(h)	(h)	(h)		
June .	31.0	33.4	2,235	5.6	4.9	18.8	2,538	2,405
1967-68—								
July .	28.0	28.8	2,245	5.6	4.8	18.4	2,544	2,410
August .	28.7	29.1	2,255	6.0	5.5	19.9	2,549	2,432
September .	31.2	31.2	2,267	5.0	4.6	16.8	2,536	2,436
October .	27.7	29.2	2,277	5.0	4.7	16.9	2,548	2,445
November .	28.7	28.9	2,287	5.0	4.0	16.1	2,552	2,454
December .	26.2	28.7	2,298	4.9	3.7	13.9	2,558	2,430
January .	27.3	24.6	2,304	4.2	3.0	13.4	2,541	2,439
February .	34.7	31.7	2,315	11.3	7.3	29.5	2,593	2,490
March .	32.4	31.2	2,326	8.9	5.9	22.9	2,591	2,501
April .	27.9	27.8	2,337	5.2	3.9	15.1	2,593	2,514
May .	33.1	33.3	2,347	5.8	4.6	18.8	2,601	2,522
June .	33.6	34.6	2,359	4.9	4.3	16.9	2,580	2,519
1968-69p—								
July .	31.5	31.2	2,371	5.4	4.8	19.1	2,605	2,559
August .	37.0	35.8	2,385	6.4	5.2	21.4	2,603	2,565
September .	33.0	33.9	2,398	6.6	7.3	19.3	2,610	2,568
October .	31.8	31.4	2,411	5.2	(i) 22.9	16.8	2,606	2,568
November .	33.8	33.4	2,423	4.7	3.5	14.3	2,607	2,577
December .	25.8	29.8	2,434	3.8	3.1	11.8	2,625	2,577
January .	33.2	31.1	2,443	3.9	3.1	12.0	2,637	2,594
February .	39.2	35.4	2,454	5.2	3.9	15.3	2,594	2,559
March .	35.1	33.3	2,468	5.8	5.1	16.4	2,600	2,575
April .	31.9	31.1	2,480	6.5	5.3	20.3	2,627	2,624
May .	38.5	38.9	2,495	6.8	5.5	20.2	2,625	2,618
June .	39.1	40.4	2,511	5.2	4.2	16.9	2,630	2,649
1969-70p—								
July .	36.8	37.1	2,527	5.3	4.2	19.6	2,628	2,639

(a) Actual collections. (b) Combined broadcast listeners' and television viewers' licences commenced 1 April 1965 and are issued to persons owning both television and broadcast receivers at the same address. New issues of combined licences may include renewal licences of either type. (c) Demand for telephone services, allowing for applications withdrawn during period. (d) Includes new issues to persons whose previous licence had expired; these may increase significantly in certain months due to special licence inspection campaigns of the P.M.G.'s Department. (e) Monthly average. (f) Exchange lines only. (g) From March 1962, excludes short-term hirers' licences which were previously included. (h) Monthly total. (i) Includes increase due to short-term licence holders taking out annual licences.

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

(\$ million)

CURRENT ACCOUNT(a)

Period	Exports f.o.b. (b)	Imports f.o.b. (b)	Balance of trade	Invisible credits				Invisible debits				Balance on current account
				Trans- portation and travel	Property income	Trans- fers	Other	Trans- portation and travel	Property income	Trans- fers	Other	
Quarterly average												
1964-65	644	685	- 41	83	30	29	35	151	101	43	35	-194
1965-66	657	706	- 49	88	28	31	39	160	107	50	40	-220
1966-67	731	709	22	96	31	33	40	170	114	57	45	-164
1967-68	735	790	- 55	112	32	39	41	193	150	59	48	-281
1968-69 p	805	799	6	126	35	41	42	208	175	62	53	-248
Quarterly total												
1966-67—												
September	692	700	- 8	89	34	34	40	157	112	49	41	-170
December	704	666	38	89	27	32	38	164	107	57	42	-146
March	740	734	6	103	35	31	40	172	110	63	42	-172
June	790	737	53	101	26	37	44	188	125	61	53	-166
1967-68—												
September	715	770	- 55	104	31	36	39	182	127	63	42	-259
December	759	741	18	111	27	38	35	190	163	65	48	-237
March	693	834	-141	117	34	45	47	202	137	54	52	-343
June	774	814	- 40	116	37	35	45	200	173	56	50	-286
1968-69—												
September p	742	841	- 99	120	36	42	38	205	167	57	45	-337
December p	826	804	22	127	28	43	41	195	182	68	50	-234
March p	793	739	54	128	39	37	45	212	159	52	58	-178
June p	858	811	47	130	38	40	45	222	192	70	58	-242

CAPITAL ITEMS(a)

Period	Government		Private		Non- official monetary trans- actions	Balancing item	Net apparent capital inflow	Official monetary movements			
	Securities	Other	Marketing authori- ties	Other				Change in net I.M.F. position	Change in inter- national reserves	Other	Net official monetary move- ments
Quarterly average											
1964-65	- 6	- 6	- 15	140	4	3	120	6	- 80	..	-74
1965-66	- 7	10	8	163	3	58	235	10	5	..	15
1966-67	6	- 13	- 18	117	3	39	134	6	- 44	8	-30
1967-68	37	- 15	8	216	12	43	301	18	2	..	20
1968-69 p	35	- 18	8	(d) *	- 1	263	287	- 11	54	- 4	39
Quarterly total											
1966-67—											
September	- 69	- 2	18	98	4	61	110	..	- 89	29	- 60
December	19	- 32	- 5	103	4	19	108	..	- 38	..	- 38
March	27	15	- 46	102	3	18	119	19	- 73	1	- 53
June	45	- 33	- 41	166	2	58	197	7	23	1	31
1967-68—											
September	14	- 55	31	162	6	43	201	- 3	- 55	..	- 58
December	66	47	- 7	180	12	9	307	8	(c) 62	..	70
March	13	- 10	14	192	5	166	380	12	25	..	37
June	55	- 42	- 5	329	23	- 45	315	54	- 25	..	29
1968-69—											
September p	85	- 42	13	158	- 4	68	278	2	- 56	- 5	- 59
December p	2	- 1	12	196	5	100	314	- 23	107	- 4	80
March p	73	- 14	10	176	- 1	62	306	- 18	146	..	128
June p	- 19	- 14	- 3	(d) *	- 3	(e) 290	251	- 6	21	- 6	9

(a) For current account balances, minus sign (—) denotes deficit; for capital items other than official monetary movements, minus sign (—) denotes outflow; for official monetary movements, minus sign (—) denotes decrease in international reserves or net I.M.F. position or an increase in net liabilities of the Reserve Bank to foreign central banks. (b) The amounts shown represent the recorded trade figures adjusted for balance of payments purposes. Adjustments affect both coverage and valuation. (c) Excludes reduction of \$113 million in the Australian dollar equivalent during November due to the devaluation of the pound sterling and a number of other currencies held as part of Australia's international reserves. (d) Not yet available; included in the balancing item. (e) Includes item marked (*).

Note. For more detailed information see the half-yearly mimeographed bulletin *Balance of Payments* (Ref. No. 8.1).

NATIONAL ACCOUNTS(a)

(\$ million)

GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT, TURNOVER AND EXPENDITURE

Period	Gross national product at factor cost			Gross national product at market prices				plus imports of goods and services	National turnover of goods and services	less exports of goods and services	Gross national expenditure
	Farm	Non-farm	Total	Components			Total				
				Wages salaries and supplements	Gross operating surplus of trading enterprises	Indirect taxes less subsidies					
ORIGINAL											
Quarterly average											
1964-65	518	3,930	4,448	2,455	1,993	512	4,960	870	5,830	762	5,068
1965-66	461	4,190	4,651	2,646	2,005	559	5,210	906	6,116	784	5,332
1966-67	552	4,544	5,096	2,878	2,219	596	5,693	924	6,617	868	5,749
1967-68	430	4,969	5,399	3,123	2,277	647	6,047	1,031	7,078	889	6,189
1968-69	549	5,515	6,064	3,464	2,599	715	6,778	1,060	7,838	973	6,865
Quarterly total											
1966-67—											
December	913	4,775	5,688	2,968	2,720	573	6,261	872	7,133	831	6,302
March	660	4,326	4,986	2,771	2,215	600	5,586	948	6,534	883	5,651
June	204	4,618	4,822	2,956	1,866	656	5,478	978	6,456	935	5,521
1967-68—											
September	373	4,843	5,216	3,027	2,189	604	5,820	994	6,814	858	5,956
December	848	5,242	6,090	3,242	2,848	596	6,686	979	7,665	905	6,760
March	328	4,727	5,055	3,014	2,041	663	5,718	1,088	6,806	857	5,949
June	172	5,065	5,237	3,209	2,028	727	5,964	1,064	7,028	935	6,093
1968-69—											
September	435	5,327	5,762	3,276	2,486	651	6,413	1,091	7,504	900	6,604
December	1,026	5,838	6,864	3,613	3,251	704	7,568	1,049	8,617	994	7,623
March	539	5,274	5,813	3,376	2,437	702	6,515	1,009	7,524	966	6,558
June	194	5,622	5,816	3,593	2,223	801	6,617	1,091	7,708	1,033	6,675
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED											
Quarterly total											
1966-67—											
December	558	4,495	5,053	2,840	2,214	581	5,635	891	6,526	808	5,718
March	538	4,595	5,133	2,899	2,234	615	5,748	962	6,710	898	5,812
June	538	4,712	5,250	2,986	2,264	610	5,860	964	6,824	907	5,917
1967-68—											
September	509	4,788	5,297	3,021	2,276	627	5,924	973	6,897	895	6,002
December	421	4,938	5,359	3,108	2,251	606	5,965	1,001	6,966	880	6,086
March	434	4,993	5,427	3,127	2,300	678	6,105	1,103	7,208	872	6,336
June	441	5,173	5,614	3,241	2,373	674	6,288	1,050	7,338	907	6,431
1968-69—											
September	466	5,274	5,740	3,276	2,464	678	6,418	1,068	7,486	938	6,548
December	570	5,445	6,015	3,412	2,603	719	6,734	1,074	7,808	967	6,841
March	525	5,645	6,170	3,576	2,594	716	6,886	1,022	7,908	985	6,923
June	528	5,744	6,272	3,633	2,639	741	7,013	1,075	8,088	1,002	7,086

(a) For reference to concepts see *Australian National Accounts National Income and Expenditure 1967-68*, issued June 1969. For explanatory matter on seasonally adjusted series see the supplement to the March quarter 1968 issue of *Quarterly Estimates of National Income and Expenditure*.

NATIONAL ACCOUNTS(a)

(\$ million)

COMPONENTS OF GROSS NATIONAL EXPENDITURE

Period	Net current expenditure on goods and services			Gross fixed capital expenditure						Increase in the value of stocks	Statistical discrepancy	Gross national expenditure
	Personal consumption	Financial enterprises	Public authorities	Private				Public enterprises	Public authorities			
				Dwellings	Other new building and construction	All other	Total private					

ORIGINAL

Quarterly average												
1964-65	2,992	64	512	223	158	465	846	252	209	..	..	5,068
1965-66	3,165	70	597	222	189	496	907	281	228	..	..	5,332
1966-67	3,394	77	672	242	184	525	951	298	240	..	..	5,749
1967-68	3,673	83	761	271	220	540	1,031	337	255	..	..	6,189
1968-69	3,919	93	832	314	254	594	1,162	357	282	..	..	6,865
Quarterly total												
1966-67—												
December	3,585	77	676	240	190	568	998	286	250	412	18	6,302
March	3,272	76	632	232	165	470	867	285	195	290	34	5,651
June	3,461	82	759	256	196	545	997	343	304	-246	-179	5,521
1967-68—												
September	3,527	84	690	265	220	494	979	314	219	50	93	5,966
December	3,876	81	771	266	248	570	1,084	330	252	395	-29	6,760
March	3,555	82	753	266	189	493	948	297	218	23	73	5,949
June	3,734	86	829	286	224	603	1,113	408	329	-249	-157	6,093
1968-69—												
September	3,738	87	760	304	230	558	1,092	328	234	166	199	6,604
December	4,132	94	864	312	291	633	1,236	350	287	653	7	7,623
March	3,807	93	769	313	219	530	1,062	327	239	177	84	6,558
June	4,000	97	937	327	275	654	1,256	422	366	-200	-203	6,675

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

Quarterly total												
1966-67—												
December	3,360	77	652	241	174	530	945	288	241	155		5,718
March	3,431	78	678	239	191	521	951	309	228	137		5,812
June	3,492	81	705	254	192	513	959	302	248	130		5,917
1967-68—												
September	3,571	82	723	258	216	513	987	330	249	60		6,002
December	3,639	81	743	267	226	531	1,024	333	242	24		6,086
March	3,714	84	808	275	219	546	1,040	322	266	112		6,336
June	3,767	85	772	284	220	569	1,073	361	268	105		6,431
1968-69—												
September	3,786	85	795	296	225	578	1,099	343	266	174		6,548
December	3,872	94	832	312	265	590	1,167	353	276	247		6,841
March	3,992	95	824	323	254	587	1,164	354	280	214		6,923
June	4,036	96	874	325	270	619	1,214	374	299	193		7,086

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NEW CAPITAL RAISINGS BY COMPANIES IN AUSTRALIA

The following statistics show the net amount of cash transferred from the investing public to companies in Australia through the types of capital specified. For this purpose the 'investing public' includes banks and life insurance companies (except when subscribing to issues by associated companies) and superannuation funds. The statistics do not include changes in bank overdraft, loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market, or deposits accepted by banks, insurance companies, pastoral companies or building societies.

NEW MONEY RAISED BY COMPANIES IN AUSTRALIA (\$ million)

Period	Companies listed on stock exchanges				Companies not listed on stock exchanges			Grand total
	Share capital	Debentures registered notes and deposits	Total		Share capital	Secured loans (a)	Total	
			Original	Seasonally adjusted				
Quarterly average								
1962-63	26.2	57.5	83.7	..	11.4	3.3	14.7	98.4
1963-64	31.6	40.2	71.8	..	12.1	5.7	17.8	89.6
1964-65	36.7	42.2	78.9	..	12.9	6.3	19.2	98.1
1965-66	42.8	37.6	80.4	..	12.7	5.8	18.5	98.9
1966-67	28.1	50.1	78.2	..	10.1	9.1	19.2	97.4
1967-68	30.7	87.2	117.9	..	12.7	4.5	17.2	135.1
Quarterly total								
1966-67—								
September	19.9	95.9	115.8	96.7	8.2	9.0	17.2	133.0
December	46.9	37.2	84.1	64.7	10.9	12.3	23.2	107.3
March	12.8	55.0	67.8	90.4	8.0	7.5	15.5	83.3
June	32.8	12.5	45.3	59.8	13.3	7.6	20.9	66.2
1967-68—								
September	15.2	77.5	92.7	76.9	8.8	5.7	14.5	107.2
December	47.0	93.4	140.4	110.9	13.9	4.5	18.4	158.8
March	24.0	92.0	116.0	148.9	10.2	1.7	11.9	127.9
June	36.4	85.8	122.2	162.1	17.9	6.2	24.1	146.3
1968-69—								
September	43.6	157.7	201.3	167.1	15.1	9.5	24.6	225.9
December	79.7	117.1	196.8	156.8	13.2	10.0	23.2	220.0
March	67.6	96.5	164.1	206.7				

(a) Secured over entire assets of borrowing company.

TOTAL NEW MONEY RAISED BY COMPANIES IN AUSTRALIA BY INDUSTRY GROUPS(a) (b) (\$ million)

Period	Manufacturing			Finance and property			Commerce			Other industries		
	Listed companies	Unlisted companies	Total	Listed companies	Unlisted companies	Total	Listed companies	Unlisted companies	Total	Listed companies	Unlisted companies	Total
Quarterly average												
1962-63	17.1	3.5	20.6	41.2	4.2	45.4	14.3	2.6	16.9	11.1	3.8	14.9
1963-64	11.2	7.1	18.3	28.0	4.5	32.5	23.0	2.1	25.1	9.6	3.2	12.8
1964-65	26.5	8.0	34.5	33.2	3.3	36.5	6.9	2.6	9.5	12.3	4.5	16.8
1965-66	43.6	6.6	50.2	22.1	3.5	25.6	5.3	2.9	8.2	9.4	4.7	14.1
1966-67	32.5	6.1	38.6	24.9	3.4	28.3	7.9	2.3	10.2	12.9	6.6	19.5
1967-68	26.7	5.1	31.8	67.7	3.6	71.3	3.1	2.4	5.5	20.4	5.2	25.6
Quarterly total												
1966-67—												
September	70.6	6.4	77.0	34.5	3.1	37.6	6.1	1.5	7.6	4.6	5.6	10.2
December	32.7	3.4	36.1	12.9	5.4	18.3	19.8	2.2	22.0	18.6	11.5	30.1
March	17.3	6.3	23.6	36.2	1.8	38.0	7.3	2.5	9.8	7.1	4.3	11.4
June	9.4	8.4	17.8	16.0	3.5	19.5	c-1.7	3.0	1.3	21.5	5.0	26.5
1967-68—												
September	22.1	3.8	25.9	65.3	2.8	68.1	c-4.4	2.2	c-2.2	9.9	5.2	15.1
December	22.9	5.7	28.6	82.4	4.4	86.8	13.4	2.2	15.6	21.7	5.5	27.2
March	38.5	3.0	41.5	47.2	2.1	49.3	6.9	2.1	9.0	23.5	4.0	27.5
June	23.3	8.0	31.3	76.1	5.0	81.1	c-3.6	3.2	c-0.4	26.5	6.3	32.8
1968-69—												
September	38.2	5.5	43.7	100.3	7.6	107.9	34.2	3.3	37.5	28.6	7.3	35.9
December	45.1	6.7	51.8	91.4	2.3	93.7	14.6	2.3	16.9	45.8	10.9	56.7
March	40.2			96.1			1.9			25.9		

(a) Small share issues of less than \$2,000 each, made by unlisted companies, are not included.

(b) Holding companies are classified according to the predominant activity of the group.

(c) Excess of repayments over receipts of new money.

Series revised from July 1966

RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA

CENTRAL BANKING BUSINESS (INCLUDING NOTE ISSUE DEPARTMENT)

(\$ million)

Period	Notes on issue		Accounts of trading banks					Deposits of savings banks	Other liabilities (excluding capital and reserves)	Gold and foreign exchange	Australian Government securities redeemable in Australia		All other assets
	Held by public	Total	Statutory Reserve Deposit	Term Loan Fund	Farm Development Loan Fund (a)	Other deposits of trading banks	Treasury bills and Treasury notes				Other		
Average of weekly figures													
1964-65	745.4	887.1	701.6	48.8	..	13.6	434.4	284.2	1,490.7	193.0	534.4	216.9	
1965-66	709.0	871.6	607.8	41.0	13.0	12.9	437.1	274.2	1,207.6	294.9	539.0	286.3	
1966-67	752.5	908.8	476.1	42.6	41.7	8.9	455.5	277.9	1,173.8	313.8	439.9	358.5	
1967-68	830.1	990.2	479.8	38.4	26.2	8.9	505.1	227.0	1,041.8	187.4	728.4	390.0	
1968-69	912.4	1,071.2	522.9	41.2	34.0	7.5	568.3	224.8	1,090.1	300.1	712.5	428.4	
1967-68—													
July	780.8	941.8	470.7	35.1	30.3	8.5	491.7	288.5	1,068.6	93.2	728.2	451.5	
August	797.5	954.5	469.2	31.7	27.8	8.8	498.7	278.1	1,055.2	148.6	719.8	421.5	
September	806.9	966.1	471.8	30.7	25.0	9.0	519.6	284.7	1,066.7	254.9	688.4	375.3	
October	808.9	971.1	475.6	29.7	22.8	8.4	528.1	295.4	1,092.6	301.0	686.0	329.7	
November	815.7	974.5	484.1	28.6	20.9	8.6	532.1	271.0	1,084.2	329.5	699.8	280.8	
December(b)	882.0	1,058.1	494.6	28.3	19.1	8.9	519.9	193.3	1,040.1	361.9	668.5	320.6	
January	842.2	1,015.9	507.9	24.4	17.1	9.6	509.7	187.8	1,010.4	219.1	680.6	431.2	
February	824.3	987.1	502.4	39.9	15.1	8.8	504.3	168.8	1,006.3	128.9	694.6	449.7	
March	831.7	992.6	589.9	54.9	13.5	9.5	496.2	191.5	991.9	162.4	712.9	419.2	
April	869.6	1,025.3	473.3	53.9	29.4	9.2	484.3	199.0	1,019.9	148.3	755.8	375.0	
May	843.4	1,005.7	463.1	54.0	44.4	8.5	483.0	173.1	1,037.0	64.0	824.7	356.0	
June	849.7	1,009.1	457.8	50.3	45.3	8.6	496.6	184.0	1,023.7	74.7	866.0		
1968-69—													
July	853.8	1,010.1	456.9	47.4	43.3	8.3	521.3	170.9	997.5	113.9	906.2	309.5	
August	871.8	1,030.5	456.2	47.4	41.2	8.3	545.3	171.8	1,011.3	186.4	889.7	277.9	
September	879.5	1,037.3	455.0	47.3	39.7	9.0	560.5	186.6	993.1	308.8	825.3	268.3	
October	882.2	1,043.1	471.1	48.0	37.9	8.1	567.6	188.5	1,014.4	382.9	763.4	263.7	
November	895.7	1,051.8	513.4	45.2	36.1	8.3	584.8	206.1	1,041.5	520.8	702.6	240.9	
December(b)	948.5	1,129.8	536.8	43.6	34.7	8.1	578.7	210.4	1,051.2	653.1	646.2	251.7	
January	932.9	1,104.9	549.1	43.2	33.3	9.7	588.0	220.4	1,041.6	595.3	570.3	401.5	
February	910.4	1,074.5	561.6	39.5	31.2	5.6	591.8	233.4	1,120.3	381.4	518.6	577.5	
March	919.8	1,078.3	570.9	36.8	30.2	5.9	591.3	250.6	1,180.6	275.4	541.0	626.9	
April	951.1	1,111.7	575.1	33.6	28.4	6.0	580.0	265.4	1,197.4	167.7	638.8	656.4	
May	937.3	1,097.8	574.1	32.0	26.7	5.3	566.0	255.8	1,215.8	54.3	735.7	611.9	
June	942.4	1,103.3	567.6	28.6	24.4	6.5	550.6	347.2	1,234.1	34.0	789.1	631.2	
1969-70—													
July	952.3	1,104.3	566.3	26.4	21.8	5.9	524.0	277.3	1,160.0	12.6	852.7	560.9	
August	971.6	1,123.3	580.3	27.1	20.2	5.5	553.9	263.0	1,061.9	159.4	864.7	548.6	

(a) Farm Development Loan Fund was established in April 1966.

(b) Excludes one Wednesday.

RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA(a)

RURAL CREDITS DEPARTMENT: ADVANCES

Period	\$ million	Period	\$ million
Average of weekly figures		Average of weekly figures	
1959-60	125.2	1967-68—	
1960-61	144.7	April	301.5
1961-62	137.0	May	264.1
1962-63	133.4	June	229.8
1963-64	143.7		
1964-65	161.0	1968-69—	
1965-66	195.8	July	214.0
1966-67	245.9	August	183.7
1967-68	283.0	September	160.2
1968-69	320.6	October	159.2
		November	150.6
1967-68—		December(b)	139.2
July	342.6	January	301.5
August	323.7	February	469.7
September	275.1	March	515.6
October	233.5	April	529.6
November	186.8	May	498.4
December(b)	211.2	June	489.4
January	328.0		
February	357.2	1969-70—	
March	332.0	July	464.5
		August	453.4

(a) Prior to January 1960, the Commonwealth Bank of Australia.

(b) Excludes one Wednesday.

COMMONWEALTH DEVELOPMENT BANK OF AUSTRALIA(a)

ADVANCES

(\$ million)

Period	Hire purchase	Other	Period	Hire purchase	Other
Average of weekly figures			Average of weekly figures		
1959-60	35.7	31.9	1967-68—		
1960-61	37.9	35.1	April	53.7	164.4
1961-62	39.9	48.7	May	54.5	166.4
1962-63	41.5	61.7	June	55.4	170.8
1963-64	43.6	71.6			
1964-65	49.1	87.0	1968-69—		
1965-66	52.4	106.8	July	56.5	172.8
1966-67	53.6	134.5	August	56.9	174.6
1967-68	54.2	159.6	September	57.3	176.1
1968-69	58.3	181.9	October	58.4	177.8
			November	61.0	180.0
1967-68—			December(b)	62.5	184.1
July	53.1	149.3	January	62.0	184.4
August	53.0	151.4	February	59.4	184.7
September	52.8	153.6	March	56.6	185.2
October	53.4	155.4	April	56.4	185.9
November	55.5	157.3	May	56.6	187.5
December(b)	56.5	161.1	June	57.4	191.5
January	55.9	161.4			
February	54.0	162.0	1969-70—		
March	53.1	163.0	July	58.2	192.3
			August	58.7	193.2

(a) Prior to 14 January 1960, Industrial Finance and Mortgage Bank Departments of Commonwealth Bank of Australia.

(b) Excludes one Wednesday.

MAJOR TRADING BANKS(a)

SELECTED LIABILITIES AND ASSETS WITHIN AUSTRALIA(b)

(\$ million)

Period	Deposits				Coin, bullion, notes, and cash with Reserve Bank	Commonwealth and State Government securities		Loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market	Statutory Reserve Deposit Account with Reserve Bank	Loans, advances and bills discounted(c)				
	Fixed	Current	Total			Treasury bills and Treasury notes	Other			Temporary advances to wool-buyers (d)	Term loans (e)	Other (f)	Total	
			Original	Seasonally adjusted									Original	Seasonally adjusted
Average of weekly figures														
1963-64.	1,338	2,847	4,185	..	137.1	109.6	866.2	64.4	530.3	108.7	84.4	2,020	2,213	..
1964-65.	1,679	2,995	4,674	..	144.6	114.1	932.3	74.6	700.6	109.3	152.4	2,169	2,430	..
1965-66.	1,943	2,984	4,927	..	160.8	87.7	987.4	70.6	606.8	114.3	190.9	2,404	2,709	..
1966-67.	2,087	3,157	5,244	..	152.4	85.4	1,169.4	82.3	475.1	121.1	233.9	2,616	2,971	..
1967-68.	2,275	3,328	5,603	..	153.5	84.5	1,190.9	75.3	478.6	109.4	275.8	2,965	3,350	..
1968-69.	2,516	3,561	6,077	..	152.6	92.3	1,244.0	87.8	521.5	124.2	334.3	3,275	3,734	..
1967-68—														
July	2,150	3,109	5,258	5,416	151.7	22.8	1,063.1	86.9	469.6	107.8	259.6	2,877	3,244	3,159
August	2,170	3,128	5,298	5,461	150.2	23.4	1,092.8	79.9	468.1	75.6	264.2	2,889	3,229	3,189
September	2,200	3,142	5,342	5,485	150.4	40.8	1,143.3	76.2	470.7	86.2	266.4	2,876	3,229	3,223
October	2,235	3,212	5,447	5,514	153.1	46.8	1,173.0	72.9	474.5	102.8	269.2	2,939	3,311	3,278
November	2,283	3,309	5,592	5,681	149.4	63.2	1,215.5	88.6	482.9	115.9	269.1	2,927	3,312	3,306
December(g)	2,310	3,407	5,717	5,628	173.8	75.2	1,270.5	78.4	493.4	118.6	274.9	2,913	3,307	3,325
January	2,327	3,492	5,819	5,678	167.0	193.4	1,320.5	96.1	506.6	101.5	276.2	2,889	3,267	3,333
February	2,333	3,483	5,816	5,613	152.7	224.1	1,339.0	59.0	501.1	120.2	278.5	2,889	3,288	3,410
March	2,340	3,492	5,831	5,648	150.1	186.7	1,299.2	63.7	488.6	126.7	280.7	2,947	3,354	3,444
April	2,319	3,441	5,759	5,694	147.1	88.9	1,208.5	61.0	472.0	131.6	285.2	3,087	3,504	3,483
May	2,331	3,358	5,689	5,738	150.4	28.8	1,117.4	61.2	461.9	119.2	289.9	3,150	3,559	3,517
June	2,302	3,396	5,698	5,798	150.4	25.1	1,071.8	74.0	456.5	116.2	296.7	3,186	3,597	3,541
1968-69—														
July	2,335	3,348	5,683	5,854	146.6	38.6	1,055.5	67.9	455.7	96.8	301.6	3,264	3,662	3,566
August	2,365	3,303	5,668	5,842	147.6	34.6	1,067.5	79.6	454.9	67.2	305.3	3,303	3,676	3,631
September	2,386	3,359	5,745	5,899	148.4	56.7	1,118.3	90.7	453.7	82.9	306.4	3,275	3,665	3,659
October	2,423	3,464	5,887	5,959	148.9	66.7	1,154.3	82.7	469.8	115.3	313.4	3,288	3,717	3,680
November	2,486	3,493	5,979	5,967	148.1	80.8	1,176.6	100.3	512.1	141.4	323.6	3,240	3,705	3,700
December(g)	2,506	3,604	6,110	6,015	175.4	60.6	1,204.2	99.9	535.4	154.4	333.7	3,230	3,718	3,736
January	2,561	3,700	6,261	6,108	167.2	158.4	1,349.9	106.2	547.6	134.6	345.1	3,207	3,687	3,760
February	2,594	3,755	6,349	6,126	154.3	206.0	1,437.8	97.0	560.1	135.8	351.4	3,146	3,633	3,766
March	2,611	3,768	6,379	6,179	149.0	194.6	1,443.5	99.3	569.4	145.6	353.7	3,177	3,676	3,774
April	2,634	3,722	6,356	6,287	152.6	100.5	1,380.0	80.2	573.5	141.4	356.1	3,322	3,820	3,797
May	2,662	3,604	6,266	6,323	148.4	56.5	1,298.5	78.4	572.5	135.5	360.7	3,405	3,901	3,855
June	2,653	3,624	6,277	6,386	149.4	47.5	1,240.6	77.9	565.9	148.8	365.8	3,438	3,952	3,890
1969-70—														
July	2,630	3,619	6,249	6,436	146.0	41.4	1,185.0	92.0	564.7	128.9	368.0	3,530	4,027	3,921
August	2,665	3,592	6,257	6,450	145.4	73.6	1,190.1	98.8	578.7	89.4	371.6	3,519	3,980	3,932

- (a) Commonwealth Trading Bank, Australia and New Zealand Bank Ltd, The Bank of Adelaide, Bank of New South Wales, The Commercial Bank of Australia Ltd, The Commercial Banking Company of Sydney Ltd, The English, Scottish and Australian Bank Ltd, The National Bank of Australasia Ltd. (b) Includes Papua and New Guinea. (c) Excludes loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market. (d) These advances represent temporary finance for the purchase of wool in Australia pending transfer to overseas or local principals. (e) Loans made from Term Loan Fund Account. (f) Includes from June 1966, loans made from Farm Development Loan Fund Account. (g) Excludes one Wednesday.

MAJOR TRADING BANKS(a)

RATIOS OF SELECTED ASSETS AND LIABILITIES TO TOTAL DEPOSITS WITHIN AUSTRALIA(b)

(per cent)

Period	Liquid assets and Commonwealth Government Securities				Statutory Reserve Deposit Account with Reserve Bank	Loans advances and bills discounted (c)	Deposits not bearing interest
	Cash and cash at Reserve Bank	Treasury bills and Treasury notes	Other Commonwealth and State Government Securities	Total			
Average of weekly figures							
1963-64	3.3	2.6	20.7	26.6	12.7	52.9	61.9
1964-65	3.1	2.4	20.0	25.5	15.0	52.0	58.0
1965-66	3.3	1.8	20.0	25.1	12.3	55.0	54.2
1966-67	2.9	1.6	22.3	26.8	9.1	56.7	54.0
1967-68	2.7	1.5	21.3	25.5	8.5	59.8	53.2
1968-69	2.5	1.5	20.5	24.5	8.6	61.4	52.3
1967-68—							
July	2.9	0.4	20.2	23.5	8.9	61.7	52.7
August	2.8	0.4	20.6	23.9	8.8	60.9	52.6
September	2.8	0.8	21.4	25.0	8.8	60.4	52.6
October	2.8	0.9	21.5	25.2	8.7	60.8	52.8
November	2.7	1.1	21.7	25.5	8.6	59.2	52.9
December(d)	3.0	1.3	22.2	26.6	8.6	57.8	53.9
January	2.9	3.3	22.7	28.9	8.7	56.1	54.2
February	2.6	3.9	23.0	29.5	8.6	56.5	53.9
March	2.6	3.2	22.3	28.1	8.4	57.5	53.8
April	2.6	1.5	21.0	25.1	8.2	60.8	53.4
May	2.6	0.5	19.6	22.8	8.1	62.6	52.7
June	2.6	0.4	18.8	21.9	8.0	63.1	53.0
1968-69—							
July	2.6	0.7	18.5	21.8	8.0	64.5	52.4
August	2.6	0.6	18.8	22.0	8.0	64.8	51.7
September	2.6	1.0	19.5	23.0	7.9	63.8	51.8
October	2.5	1.1	19.6	23.3	8.0	63.1	52.3
November	2.5	1.4	19.7	23.5	8.6	62.0	52.0
December(d)	2.9	1.0	19.7	23.6	8.8	60.8	52.9
January	2.7	2.5	21.6	26.8	8.7	58.9	53.1
February	2.4	3.2	22.6	28.3	8.8	57.2	53.1
March	2.3	3.1	22.6	28.0	8.9	57.6	53.0
April	2.4	1.6	21.7	25.7	9.0	60.1	52.4
May	2.4	0.9	20.7	24.0	9.1	62.3	51.4
June	2.4	0.8	19.8	22.9	9.0	63.0	51.4
1969-70—							
July	2.3	0.7	18.9	21.9	9.0	64.4	51.4
August	2.3	1.2	19.0	22.5	9.2	63.6	51.1

(a) See footnote (a) page 60. (b) Includes Papua and New Guinea. (c) Excludes loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market. (d) Excludes one Wednesday.

MAJOR TRADING BANKS(a)

NEW AND INCREASED LENDING COMMITMENTS AND OVERDRAFT LIMITS

(Source: Reserve Bank of Australia)

(\$ million)

New and increased lending commitments(b)				Overdraft limits(c)	
Weekly average for period ending second Wednesday of—	Aggregate	Term Loan component	Farm Development Loan Fund component	At second Wednesday of—	Total outstanding
1963-64(d)	22.5	1.7	..	July—	
1964-65(d)	21.7	1.4	..	1964	3,801.0
1965-66(d)	22.8	1.3	0.1	1965	3,932.2
1966-67(d)	31.3	2.5	0.5	1966	4,098.4
1967-68(d)	33.2	2.1	0.5	1967	4,512.9
1968-69(d)	35.2	3.6	0.6	1968	4,983.9
				1969	5,290.7
1967-68—				1967-68—	
July	36.9	5.9	0.6	July	4,512.9
August	32.6	2.0	0.6	August	4,550.5
September	30.7	1.7	0.5	September	4,584.1
October	28.4	1.5	0.5	October	4,608.0
November	33.5	1.7	0.6	November	4,638.2
December	34.5	1.6	0.6	December	4,693.5
January	29.7	1.7	0.4	January	4,725.9
February	29.7	2.3	0.4	February	4,741.9
March	34.8	2.6	0.4	March	4,789.0
April	38.5	2.0	0.5	April	4,854.8
May	35.9	2.1	0.4	May	4,892.4
June	34.9	2.9	0.5	June	4,939.8
1968-69—				1968-69—	
July	35.5	2.6	0.6	July	4,983.9
August	41.1	8.3	0.5	August	5,033.2
September	30.7	2.0	0.6	September	5,050.1
October	35.6	4.6	0.5	October	5,072.1
November	31.9	2.0	0.6	November	5,101.7
December	33.1	4.2	0.7	December	5,111.7
January	26.2	1.5	0.4	January	5,112.4
February	32.4	1.9	0.5	February	5,124.3
March	34.3	3.1	0.6	March	5,125.2
April	37.3	3.2	0.8	April	5,161.7
May	38.8	3.2	0.6	May	5,218.6
June	38.1	3.4	0.6	June	5,249.4
1969-70—				1969-70—	
July	42.0	5.5	0.6	July	5,290.7
August	36.4	2.1	0.7	August	5,311.0

(a) See footnote (a) page 60.

(b) This series has been compiled from information supplied by the major trading banks as at second Wednesday of each month. The figures represent gross new lending commitments of banks and do not take account of cancellations and reductions of existing limits. Figures for cancellations and reductions of existing limits can be estimated from this series (after deducting term loan and farm development loan components and adjusting the weekly average to a monthly basis) in conjunction with that of overdraft limits. However, such estimates should be regarded as an approximation only, since there are unavoidable differences in the basis of compilation of the two series.

(c) Excludes limits in respect of temporary advances to woolbuyers, term loans and farm development loans.

(d) Year ended second Wednesday of July.

ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS(a)
SELECTED LIABILITIES AND ASSETS WITHIN AUSTRALIA(b)

(\$ million)

Period	Deposits				Coin, bullion, notes and cash with Reserve Bank	Commonwealth and State Government securities		Loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market	Statutory Reserve Deposit Account with Reserve Bank	Loans (other than loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market), advances and bills discounted
	Fixed	Current		Total		Treasury bills and Treasury notes	Other			
		Bearing interest	Not bearing interest							
Average of weekly figures										
1963-64 .	1,422.7	301.1	2,706.2	4,430.0	143.6	114.5	929.7	73.9	531.4	2,487.9
1964-65 .	1,784.7	328.6	2,838.7	4,951.9	151.7	121.0	1,017.7	85.1	701.6	2,732.0
1965-66 .	2,073.0	361.0	2,797.8	5,231.7	170.7	89.1	1,080.7	83.8	607.8	3,040.0
1966-67 .	2,226.9	381.1	2,970.0	5,578.0	161.7	89.3	1,284.4	98.5	476.1	3,319.2
1967-68 .	2,442.5	409.3	3,126.8	5,978.6	164.4	92.8	1,309.3	89.7	479.8	3,751.0
1968-69 .	2,706.0	449.8	3,334.3	6,490.2	162.9	99.3	1,376.6	107.5	522.9	4,158.9
1967-68—										
July .	2,301.8	391.2	2,911.8	5,604.8	162.2	23.9	1,181.9	99.1	470.7	3,619.2
August .	2,330.4	401.7	2,923.3	5,655.5	160.6	24.2	1,209.0	96.1	469.2	3,609.3
September .	2,363.8	391.2	2,950.7	5,705.7	160.8	41.9	1,260.4	92.4	471.8	3,617.5
October .	2,402.1	397.9	3,015.7	5,815.7	163.8	48.4	1,293.8	89.2	475.6	3,705.3
November .	2,453.1	408.9	3,106.5	5,968.6	160.0	67.2	1,335.7	105.2	484.1	3,713.9
December c	2,480.9	382.8	3,236.7	6,100.5	184.9	82.5	1,388.8	92.3	494.6	3,712.6
January .	2,498.5	398.6	3,309.5	6,206.6	179.2	217.4	1,438.5	111.1	507.9	3,663.2
February .	2,502.1	409.4	3,289.2	6,200.7	163.7	248.2	1,457.0	70.9	502.4	3,687.5
March .	2,509.7	419.6	3,284.7	6,214.1	161.0	206.3	1,417.8	75.8	489.9	3,760.2
April .	2,493.5	424.8	3,223.7	6,142.0	157.7	98.3	1,327.2	73.5	473.3	3,919.2
May .	2,506.3	429.8	3,139.0	6,075.1	161.4	32.9	1,237.2	76.3	463.1	3,982.0
June .	2,472.9	448.6	3,165.5	6,086.9	161.4	27.5	1,188.5	87.7	457.8	4,019.8
1968-69—										
July .	2,513.9	440.8	3,120.9	6,075.6	157.3	39.6	1,170.2	90.2	456.9	4,081.9
August .	2,545.8	439.0	3,073.8	6,058.6	158.3	35.7	1,182.2	98.5	456.2	4,099.8
September .	2,564.7	453.1	3,120.9	6,138.7	159.2	58.0	1,233.0	109.6	455.0	4,093.6
October .	2,604.4	456.8	3,230.5	6,291.6	160.2	68.3	1,273.0	105.4	471.1	4,146.8
November .	2,674.5	456.8	3,261.4	6,392.7	160.1	83.7	1,304.3	120.9	513.4	4,138.2
December c	2,696.1	441.7	3,388.5	6,526.3	187.3	66.1	1,326.3	120.8	536.8	4,151.7
January .	2,755.3	434.0	3,488.5	6,677.8	178.3	171.2	1,485.2	125.0	549.1	4,106.7
February .	2,787.6	447.6	3,533.4	6,768.6	162.9	224.9	1,578.0	116.2	561.2	4,046.2
March .	2,809.0	449.3	3,547.4	6,805.7	157.9	213.5	1,586.5	117.7	570.9	4,097.1
April .	2,834.5	458.9	3,492.4	6,785.8	161.8	109.9	1,528.4	98.1	575.1	4,245.9
May .	2,863.0	451.9	3,381.5	6,696.4	157.4	61.6	1,449.3	99.2	574.1	4,326.8
June .	2,850.5	467.9	3,387.2	6,705.6	158.5	52.9	1,389.6	94.9	567.6	4,383.6
1969-70—										
July .	2,830.5	479.2	3,368.3	6,678.0	155.0	46.1	1,326.2	112.2	566.3	4,464.1
August .	2,872.0	463.3	3,351.5	6,686.8	154.3	78.7	1,333.0	120.9	580.3	4,419.1

(a) Covers the Major Trading Banks, and in addition the Bank of China, Bank of New Zealand, The Brisbane Permanent Building and Banking Co. Ltd, Banque Nationale de Paris, the General Bank Department of the Rural Bank of New South Wales, State Bank of South Australia, and the Rural Department of the Rural and Industries Bank of Western Australia. (b) Includes Papua and New Guinea. (c) Excludes one Wednesday.

ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS(a)

DEBITS TO CUSTOMERS' ACCOUNTS

(Excluding debits to Australian Government Account at city branches in State capitals)

(\$ million)

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Total
Average of weekly figures—									
1959-60	492.6	629.1	158.3	106.8	69.7	31.0	1.9	5.4	1,494.7
1960-61	644.9	565.9	163.8	116.0	75.7	32.5	2.0	6.7	1,607.5
1961-62	654.0	590.0	164.4	116.2	80.4	32.1	2.2	7.9	1,647.1
1962-63	713.1	650.5	185.1	131.6	88.2	35.1	2.5	10.2	1,816.4
1963-64	824.8	733.2	213.2	155.1	96.4	37.1	2.8	11.5	2,073.9
1964-65	935.2	825.3	232.9	170.4	106.3	41.3	3.4	14.5	2,329.3
1965-66	949.0	847.7	232.5	172.8	122.4	43.2	3.8	15.3	2,386.7
1966-67	1,080.2	940.0	256.9	184.4	138.6	47.3	4.5	17.0	2,668.9
1967-68	1,257.9	1,041.8	289.2	201.7	169.1	51.3	5.8	21.2	3,038.0
1968-69	1,526.2	1,214.1	325.3	224.2	209.0	55.9	7.4	50.4	3,612.6
1967-68—									
July	1,269.6	1,055.2	292.1	197.6	154.0	54.3	5.6	18.5	3,046.9
August	1,083.0	943.8	260.0	182.7	145.5	47.9	5.5	17.4	2,685.9
September	1,145.3	967.4	282.1	181.9	140.1	46.6	5.6	17.3	2,786.5
October	1,143.9	998.2	288.1	198.8	160.7	50.9	5.8	19.6	2,866.0
November	1,237.5	1,027.4	302.2	204.8	169.0	49.1	6.7	18.9	3,015.6
December	1,296.4	1,113.2	307.7	211.3	176.6	55.1	5.9	22.7	3,188.9
January	1,116.4	923.9	253.6	178.3	164.8	44.5	5.6	14.9	2,702.0
February	1,338.2	1,040.9	289.8	214.0	190.7	50.0	5.3	19.0	3,148.0
March	1,355.7	1,083.2	292.9	211.1	181.1	54.8	5.3	22.0	3,206.2
April	1,353.5	1,123.8	309.5	223.7	178.7	54.8	5.4	26.3	3,275.6
May	1,373.3	1,098.9	296.3	208.2	184.8	53.4	6.2	28.8	3,250.0
June	1,437.0	1,169.4	306.9	216.7	185.8	56.7	6.7	30.1	3,409.3
1968-69—									
July	1,530.6	1,226.0	337.3	219.9	190.7	59.3	7.3	29.3	3,600.5
August	1,329.5	1,094.9	283.8	201.1	177.0	49.0	6.6	28.1	3,169.9
September	1,423.7	1,170.5	315.1	210.3	177.9	50.2	6.6	28.2	3,382.5
October	1,448.4	1,162.1	324.0	212.7	202.7	52.1	6.8	30.1	3,438.9
November	1,523.3	1,234.2	324.8	229.9	204.8	54.9	7.0	32.8	3,611.6
December	1,651.3	1,353.0	360.8	241.9	224.9	64.5	7.9	37.8	3,942.1
January	1,384.1	1,041.9	295.6	211.2	217.0	45.9	6.3	29.8	3,231.7
February	1,720.6	1,238.9	331.7	240.9	228.4	57.3	7.4	48.3	3,873.6
March	1,563.2	1,250.0	326.4	238.6	220.4	60.0	8.0	66.0	3,732.7
April	1,537.5	1,264.6	334.4	236.2	216.9	59.0	7.9	86.2	3,742.7
May	1,632.6	1,300.5	327.8	225.3	229.0	60.9	8.8	91.8	3,876.7
June	1,620.2	1,273.0	344.5	227.2	220.7	59.5	8.9	102.9	3,857.0
1969-70—									
July	1,738.6	1,333.6	378.3	242.2	238.9	61.9	13.1	107.0	4,113.6
August	1,555.9	1,228.8	329.5	212.8	221.7	56.5	9.7	65.4	3,680.3

(a) Includes in addition to the banks included in series on page 63 the Rural Credits Department of the Reserve Bank and Commonwealth Development Bank.

SAVINGS BANKS

DEPOSITORS' BALANCES

(\$ million)

At end of—	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia	
									Original	Seasonally adjusted
June 1960	1,083.1	999.2	365.2	332.0	157.2	92.7	5.2	10.8	(a)3,045.4	3,047.0
" 1961	1,138.3	1,034.9	374.2	333.5	161.4	94.8	5.5	12.3	(a)3,154.9	3,156.6
" 1962	1,250.0	1,141.7	411.7	362.0	181.0	102.5	6.2	14.7	(a)3,469.8	3,467.0
" 1963	1,408.0	1,298.1	470.4	416.1	208.8	112.8	7.0	18.5	(a)3,939.7	3,942.4
" 1964	1,583.2	1,479.0	542.3	475.8	239.8	124.8	8.1	23.3	(a)4,476.2	4,471.3
" 1965	1,719.6	1,620.4	593.0	519.3	261.7	135.7	9.2	27.6	(a)4,886.6	4,880.2
" 1966	1,827.8	1,746.0	637.7	558.9	292.9	148.4	10.6	31.6	(a)5,253.7	5,253.4
" 1967	1,984.3	1,926.7	700.0	605.2	330.8	167.1	12.5	38.0	(a)5,764.7	5,756.1
" 1968	2,125.8	2,085.5	757.0	643.7	373.6	177.8	14.4	43.7	(a)6,221.5	6,221.5
" 1969	2,282.4	2,244.3	819.0	691.8	413.0	190.0	17.4	49.1	(a)6,707.1	6,706.4
1967-68—										
July	1,999.4	1,948.2	707.8	610.4	333.9	169.2	12.9	39.0	5,820.7	5,804.4
August	2,022.2	1,969.9	716.7	615.2	341.0	171.8	13.6	39.9	5,890.2	5,851.3
September	2,039.7	1,992.4	725.6	619.3	347.5	173.3	14.0	40.3	5,952.2	5,899.5
October	2,054.4	2,012.7	730.1	624.5	350.5	173.9	14.2	40.9	6,001.2	5,943.2
November	2,061.0	2,024.3	734.2	628.2	352.9	174.2	14.2	41.6	6,030.5	5,978.3
December	2,052.5	2,024.6	734.1	628.5	353.6	173.5	14.0	40.7	6,021.4	6,008.0
January	2,062.7	2,035.6	731.8	629.6	355.7	174.1	13.9	42.7	6,046.1	6,049.8
February	2,071.4	2,042.4	735.0	632.3	359.3	175.1	13.7	41.9	6,071.1	6,078.6
March	2,068.6	2,039.2	733.7	632.2	361.7	175.5	13.6	43.1	6,067.6	6,112.0
April	2,066.4	2,026.2	730.7	626.9	362.2	175.1	13.7	42.2	6,043.4	6,149.3
May	2,090.7	2,052.3	740.0	629.0	366.8	176.2	13.9	42.9	(a)6,111.9	6,192.7
June	2,125.8	2,085.5	757.0	643.7	373.6	177.8	14.4	43.7	(a)6,221.5	6,222.3
1968-69—										
July	2,143.7	2,104.9	766.6	646.8	378.2	179.8	15.2	44.8	6,280.0	6,260.6
August	2,162.3	2,129.8	775.5	651.1	386.1	182.9	15.9	45.4	6,349.1	6,297.9
September	2,174.4	2,140.0	781.9	651.0	392.1	183.5	16.3	46.0	6,385.1	6,338.2
October	2,194.8	2,159.3	787.5	655.1	398.6	183.9	16.8	46.4	6,442.4	6,377.9
November	2,203.3	2,182.7	791.7	659.0	400.0	184.7	16.8	46.7	6,484.8	6,418.9
December	2,194.5	2,170.6	789.4	658.0	397.2	183.5	16.4	46.6	6,456.3	6,452.5
January	2,214.5	2,183.8	787.6	663.0	401.5	184.1	16.1	47.3	6,497.9	6,500.8
February	2,227.8	2,200.9	791.9	670.5	404.5	186.5	16.1	48.2	6,546.5	6,546.0
March	2,221.1	2,189.4	789.0	670.9	403.5	186.8	16.1	47.6	6,524.5	6,584.0
April	2,229.9	2,189.3	791.1	671.4	404.4	187.3	16.4	47.9	6,537.8	6,642.1
May	2,245.0	2,206.1	799.1	674.0	404.9	187.9	16.7	48.8	(a)6,582.6	6,680.1
June	2,282.4	2,244.3	819.0	691.8	413.0	190.0	17.4	49.1	(a)6,707.1	6,706.4
1969-70—										
July	2,305.4	2,276.3	832.3	698.3	417.7	191.8	18.5	50.6	6,790.9	6,760.5
August	2,321.6	2,298.3	840.1	702.2	422.1	194.5	19.3	51.6	6,849.6	6,804.7

(a) Interest added 1959-60 \$80.3m; 1960-61, \$89.4m; 1961-62, \$105.4m; 1962-63, \$116.7m; 1963-64, \$114.8m; 1964-65 \$139.8m; 1965-66, \$159.5m; 1966-67, \$173.0m; 1967-68, \$189.9m; 1968-69, \$204.4m. The major part of this interest was added in May and June.

SAVINGS BANKS

SELECTED ASSETS WITHIN AUSTRALIA(a)

(\$ million)

At end of—	Coin, bullion and notes	Deposits with Reserve Bank	Deposits with trading banks	Common- wealth Government securities(b)	Local and semi- govern- mental securities	Loans to authorised dealers in the short- term money market	Loans, advances and bills discounted	
							Housing	Other
June 1960	5.8	272.2	104.1	1,587.7	568.9	3.4	544.0	59.4
" 1961	8.7	277.1	89.1	1,578.7	622.8	15.3	612.5	66.7
" 1962	9.9	319.0	111.8	1,665.1	703.9	27.6	678.7	71.4
" 1963	9.5	366.2	119.0	1,827.2	835.5	39.0	793.9	80.7
" 1964	10.1	430.2	123.1	1,994.3	955.6	34.2	997.8	96.0
" 1965	10.8	430.3	117.5	2,066.1	1,092.3	28.8	1,185.2	131.7
" 1966	10.7	419.2	129.0	2,125.8	1,198.8	34.2	1,358.5	176.5
" 1967	12.3	492.5	136.3	2,184.5	1,328.5	50.5	1,548.8	222.3
" 1968	13.3	497.2	145.5	2,271.1	1,486.5	23.9	1,751.2	266.2
" 1969	16.6	536.0	152.7	2,300.6	1,651.7	31.2	1,961.5	301.9
1967-68—								
July	13.8	491.0	137.1	2,212.3	1,347.0	48.9	1,559.3	225.4
August	11.8	506.9	137.2	2,230.1	1,369.5	59.1	1,573.6	227.4
September	11.3	523.8	141.8	2,262.7	1,382.0	48.9	1,589.5	232.1
October	13.5	530.0	134.8	2,283.3	1,402.0	56.2	1,602.1	237.3
November	13.7	528.7	136.7	2,292.9	1,428.0	52.3	1,616.5	242.3
December	15.9	513.3	120.3	2,304.9	1,439.0	31.8	1,637.3	246.8
January	14.1	507.8	138.3	2,316.1	1,449.6	26.8	1,643.4	248.4
February	13.7	498.6	143.2	2,327.9	1,461.1	31.5	1,657.5	250.3
March	13.9	491.7	135.1	2,335.7	1,470.2	31.1	1,675.1	254.0
April	14.7	475.9	149.1	2,316.5	1,476.7	15.4	1,690.1	256.6
May	13.9	498.2	143.2	2,297.1	1,479.9	27.2	1,705.4	262.0
June	13.3	497.2	145.5	2,271.1	1,486.5	23.9	1,751.2	266.2
1968-69—								
July	13.5	536.4	160.2	2,236.6	1,501.4	28.4	1,767.4	269.0
August	13.6	555.1	167.3	2,249.9	1,516.6	41.6	1,779.4	273.0
September	14.7	558.4	175.8	2,264.7	1,530.0	29.0	1,795.1	277.9
October	12.8	578.9	176.3	2,276.8	1,548.8	32.2	1,813.3	280.8
November	14.9	594.1	171.1	2,286.5	1,570.7	32.6	1,826.2	287.7
December	16.0	575.7	164.4	2,264.6	1,584.9	19.3	1,845.6	293.8
January	14.4	592.2	171.9	2,281.3	1,598.4	30.2	1,852.2	294.9
February	15.9	590.4	171.0	2,298.1	1,612.0	42.7	1,862.3	297.6
March	16.2	585.1	161.1	2,286.9	1,627.8	29.1	1,880.2	300.5
April	14.9	575.3	180.0	2,277.9	1,638.6	26.4	1,899.2	300.9
May	15.4	565.4	166.8	2,291.1	1,642.6	27.6	1,911.3	302.7
June	16.6	536.0	152.7	2,300.6	1,651.7	31.2	1,961.5	301.9
1969-70—								
July	13.2	510.9	174.2	2,336.1	1,668.0	48.2	1,974.9	308.2
August	15.0	571.8	178.7	2,327.9	1,692.8	35.7	1,984.3	310.0

(a) Includes assets in Papua, New Guinea and Norfolk Island.

(b) Includes Treasury bills and Treasury notes.

FINANCE COMPANIES

The following series of statistics cover the main types of lending by finance companies in Australia, including instalment credit for retail sales, wholesale hire purchase, other consumer and commercial loans (comprising personal loans, mortgage loans and advances), factoring, leasing and bills of exchange. Information on the scope of these statistics and the definition of items are included in the bulletin *Finance Companies, 1969* (Ref. No. 5.13), which in addition contains more detailed statistics. Supplementary classifications are also provided for the instalment credit for retail sales transactions of finance companies. Amount financed is classified by type of commodity and collections and other liquidations is divided between cash collections and other liquidations.

AMOUNT FINANCED BY TYPE OF AGREEMENT (\$ million)

Period	Instalment credit for retail sales	Wholesale hire purchase	Other consumer and commercial loans				Factoring	Total
			Personal loans	Mortgage loans	Commercial loans			
					Repayable at call or within 90 days	Other		
Monthly average								
1964-65	53.9	40.2	5.3	18.6	22.0	12.9	7.4	160.3
1965-66	51.1	40.7	5.9	18.5	24.0	12.8	6.7	159.7
1966-67	57.4	59.9	8.0	23.4	26.9	10.6	5.7	191.8
1967-68	68.1	71.3	9.7	28.4	32.1	11.1	6.2	226.9
1968-69	76.9	78.5	10.4	37.1	43.5	15.4	6.3	268.0
Monthly total								
1968-69—								
July	73.0	79.7	11.1	33.1	44.9	18.4	6.4	266.6
August	69.3	74.1	9.7	29.6	40.6	14.2	6.3	243.8
September	69.1	72.0	9.6	30.4	38.8	13.4	5.9	239.2
October	87.7	85.9	10.3	37.2	47.6	17.2	6.9	292.9
November	83.4	78.6	11.0	37.1	51.0	16.7	7.2	285.0
December	81.7	82.8	12.8	47.2	33.7	16.3	7.0	281.4
January	71.0	57.1	8.1	27.7	42.4	12.3	4.2	222.7
February	69.9	74.8	8.5	34.0	57.1	12.8	6.7	263.8
March	77.9	81.5	10.1	38.2	58.7	15.0	6.5	287.9
April	75.8	78.2	10.1	38.0	40.7	12.7	5.8	261.2
May	86.6	89.4	11.6	42.1	35.8	19.7	6.5	291.7
June	77.9	87.0	11.6	50.4	30.3	16.3	6.2	279.8
1969-70—								
July	87.2	91.3	11.8	46.9	50.2	17.4	7.2	312.1

COLLECTIONS AND OTHER LIQUIDATIONS OF BALANCES BY TYPE OF AGREEMENT

(\$ million)

Period	Contracts including charges			Contracts excluding charges					Total all contracts
	Instalment credit for retail sales	Other consumer and commercial loans	Total	Wholesale hire purchase	Commercial loans repayable at call or within 90 days	Other consumer and commercial loans	Factoring	Total	
Monthly average									
1964-65	61.0	22.4	83.4	40.5	21.4	17.8	8.6	88.1	171.5
1965-66	64.8	24.0	88.9	39.6	22.7	18.2	8.0	88.4	177.2
1966-67	71.2	26.0	97.3	58.7	28.4	19.5	6.3	113.0	210.3
1967-68	76.1	28.5	104.6	69.6	30.2	21.8	6.9	128.7	233.3
1968-69	85.5	33.4	118.9	77.8	43.9	29.0	7.3	158.1	277.0
Monthly total									
1968-69—									
July	85.6	32.0	117.6	81.9	35.2	31.5	8.0	156.6	274.2
August	78.8	31.7	110.4	72.7	28.8	24.3	6.7	132.5	243.0
September	77.5	31.0	108.5	70.4	39.6	28.5	6.6	145.1	253.6
October	87.8	32.7	120.5	82.4	55.4	30.0	7.6	175.5	295.9
November	79.9	34.5	114.4	78.0	34.2	24.6	7.3	144.1	258.5
December	85.1	35.4	120.4	79.6	60.6	36.7	7.4	184.3	304.8
January	82.9	29.0	111.9	70.4	34.7	24.1	8.9	138.2	250.0
February	91.0	30.0	121.0	72.0	39.4	25.0	6.9	143.5	264.4
March	94.1	36.4	130.6	81.5	50.7	30.6	6.7	169.5	300.0
April	85.9	33.2	119.1	78.3	54.0	31.0	6.4	169.7	288.8
May	90.7	37.3	128.0	84.7	51.0	30.7	7.7	174.0	302.0
June	87.2	37.1	124.3	81.0	44.0	31.6	7.6	164.3	288.6
1969-70—									
July	96.3	42.1	138.4	89.9	36.0	35.1	8.2	169.2	307.6

Series Revised.

FINANCE COMPANIES

BALANCES OUTSTANDING BY TYPE OF AGREEMENT

(\$ million)

At end of—	Contracts including charges			Contracts excluding charges					Total all contracts (a)
	Instalment credit for retail sales	Other consumer and commercial loans	Total	Wholesale hire purchase	Commercial loans repayable at call or within 90 days	Other consumer and commercial loans	Factoring	Total	

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Year—									
1964-65	977.5	477.8	1,455.3	64.1	40.4	233.8	25.6	364.0	1,819.2
1965-66	990.1	488.1	1,478.2	78.4	65.1	266.6	21.8	431.9	1,910.1
1966-67	1,087.5	548.0	1,635.5	100.8	49.3	300.9	21.7	472.7	2,108.1
1967-68	1,222.5	636.3	1,858.9	127.5	69.9	360.9	23.6	581.9	2,440.8
1968-69	1,381.8	737.8	2,119.7	145.2	60.5	455.7	22.6	684.1	2,803.8
Month—									
1967-68—									
June	1,222.5	636.3	1,858.9	127.5	69.9	360.9	23.6	581.9	2,440.8
1968-69—									
July	1,230.2	643.5	1,873.6	125.8	79.4	364.7	21.0	591.0	2,464.6
August	1,240.5	652.2	1,892.7	128.0	90.4	371.8	21.7	611.9	2,504.7
September	1,252.5	657.4	1,909.9	130.5	89.5	373.9	21.9	615.7	2,525.6
October	1,276.6	667.7	1,944.3	134.6	80.9	383.0	22.5	621.0	2,565.3
November	1,302.9	674.4	1,977.3	135.9	98.5	396.3	23.2	654.0	2,631.3
December	1,322.3	686.8	2,009.1	139.8	71.2	408.0	23.8	642.8	2,651.8
January	1,330.9	688.3	2,019.2	127.2	79.1	414.1	19.8	640.1	2,659.4
February	1,330.3	695.5	2,025.8	130.6	95.9	423.7	20.7	670.9	2,696.8
March	1,337.1	704.5	2,041.6	131.6	104.0	426.1	22.0	683.7	2,725.3
April	1,348.6	713.4	2,062.0	132.7	90.8	427.7	22.6	673.8	2,735.8
May	1,369.3	725.4	2,094.6	138.4	75.1	440.0	22.5	676.0	2,770.6
June	1,381.8	737.8	2,119.7	145.2	60.5	455.7	22.6	684.1	2,803.8
1969-70—									
July	1,399.7	750.3	2,149.9	147.6	75.2	464.4	23.1	710.2	2,860.1

States—at end of July 1969

New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory	559.0	328.7	887.7	58.7	33.3	226.4	11.2	329.6	1,217.3
Victoria	342.6	131.3	474.0	34.4	32.3	114.1	10.4	191.2	665.1
Queensland	206.0	111.7	317.7	21.9	(b)	44.2	(b)	66.1	383.8
South Australia and Northern Territory	126.1	82.8	208.9	15.9	5.4	36.4	(b)	57.7	266.6
Western Australia	124.1	94.1	218.3	12.8	(b)	48.1	(b)	60.9	279.2
Tasmania	41.8	1.6	43.5	3.9	(b)	0.8	(b)	4.7	48.1
Australia	1,399.7	750.3	2,149.9	147.6	(c)75.2	(c)464.4	(c)23.1	710.2	2,860.1

(a) Amounts shown in this column are intended to provide a broad overall measure of total balances outstanding. Movement in this series may be affected, however, by changes in the proportions of the two components of the series to the total. (b) Not available separately; included in other commercial loans. (c) Components may not add to totals.

Series revised.

FINANCE COMPANIES

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES, AMOUNT FINANCED, CASH COLLECTIONS
AND OTHER LIQUIDATIONS AND BALANCES OUTSTANDING
(\$ million)

Period	Amount financed during period					Collections and other liquidations during period			Balances outstanding at end of period
	New motors	Used motors	Household and personal goods	Plant and machinery	Total	Cash collections	Other liquidations	Total	
Australia									
Year—									
1964-65	266.5	270.4	71.4	39.1	647.3	698.1	33.9	732.0	977.5
1965-66	249.3	250.1	70.2	43.0	612.7	747.0	32.0	778.9	990.1
1966-67	254.9	262.1	120.9	51.3	689.2	823.4	31.5	854.9	1,087.5
1967-68	318.4	302.2	137.0	59.0	816.6	883.6	29.9	913.6	1,222.5
1968-69	352.7	350.2	142.6	77.9	923.3	988.6	37.9	1,026.4	1,381.8
Month—									
1968—									
May	29.9	28.4	13.3	5.8	77.3	80.3	2.8	83.1	1,211.3
June	24.7	24.3	11.4	5.7	66.0	70.6	2.9	73.5	1,222.5
July	26.5	27.6	12.8	6.1	73.0	82.2	3.4	85.6	1,230.2
August	26.2	28.0	10.6	4.5	69.3	76.0	2.7	78.8	1,240.5
September	25.9	27.0	11.4	4.8	69.1	75.0	2.5	77.5	1,252.5
October	31.4	31.5	15.8	9.0	87.7	84.3	3.4	87.8	1,276.6
November	30.4	29.7	14.0	9.3	83.4	77.0	3.0	79.9	1,302.9
December	31.5	29.2	14.3	6.7	81.7	82.0	3.1	85.1	1,322.3
1969—									
January	26.7	29.8	8.8	5.7	71.0	80.3	2.6	82.9	1,330.9
February	26.5	27.1	9.4	6.9	69.9	88.1	2.9	91.0	1,330.3
March	31.7	30.0	10.2	6.1	77.9	90.8	3.3	94.1	1,337.1
April	30.1	28.5	11.4	5.8	75.8	82.7	3.2	85.9	1,348.6
May	34.7	32.4	12.7	6.8	86.6	87.3	3.4	90.7	1,369.3
June	31.2	29.4	11.3	6.1	77.9	82.9	4.3	87.2	1,381.8
States—June 1969									
New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory	12.3	10.1	6.6	2.0	31.0	33.2	2.0	35.2	551.8
Victoria	8.0	7.6	2.7	1.2	19.6	20.8	0.7	21.6	338.2
Queensland	4.2	4.6	1.0	1.7	11.5	12.4	0.7	13.1	203.6
South Australia and Northern Territory	2.8	3.1	0.5	0.3	6.7	7.2	0.4	7.6	124.4
Western Australia	3.1	3.0	0.3	0.7	7.1	6.6	0.4	7.0	122.1
Tasmania	0.7	0.9	0.2	0.3	2.1	2.7	0.1	2.8	41.8
Australia	31.2	29.4	11.3	6.1	77.9	82.9	4.3	87.2	1,381.8

BUSINESS EQUIPMENT AND PLANT ON LEASE (\$ million)

Period	Initial capital cost of goods newly leased during period	Balances outstanding at end of period
Australia		
Year—		
1966-67(a)	77.6	128.6
1967-68	125.3	190.4
1968-69	148.7	253.6
Month—		
1968—		
June	10.9	190.4
July	13.1	195.3
August	10.5	200.1
September	11.0	204.8
October	13.1	211.3
November	11.6	216.1
December	12.1	221.7
1969—		
January	11.2	225.2
February	10.7	230.0
March	12.6	234.7
April	13.5	241.0
May	15.9	247.8
June	13.4	253.6
July	16.5	257.8
States—July 1969		
New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory	6.3	98.2
Victoria	3.8	67.4
Queensland	3.4	46.9
South Australia and Northern Territory	1.4	21.6
Western Australia	1.3	18.6
Tasmania	0.3	5.1
Australia	16.5	257.8

(a) Balance outstanding at 30 June 1965 amounted to \$70.4 million, and at 30 June 1966 to \$89.4 million. The value of initial capital cost of goods newly leased is available only from June 1966.

Series revised.

FINANCE COMPANIES

TRANSACTIONS IN BILLS OF EXCHANGE

(\$ million)

Period	Amounts paid for bills acquired during period	Amounts received for bills disposed of during period	Balances outstanding at end of period
Year—			
1966-67(a)	38.7	36.9	4.3
1967-68	111.1	99.1	16.6
1968-69	117.2	118.5	16.4
Month—			
1968—			
June	5.7	9.8	16.6
July	11.0	11.5	16.2
August	12.0	11.9	16.4
September	11.9	9.9	18.5
October	9.5	9.7	18.3
November	11.4	8.2	21.8
December	6.0	11.4	16.5
1969—			
January	11.8	12.5	15.9
February	13.6	13.3	16.2
March	8.4	7.6	17.1
April	8.9	4.5	21.6
May	7.3	7.5	21.4
June	5.2	10.4	16.4
July	8.8	10.1	15.0

(a) Details prior to June 1966 are not available.

LIFE INSURANCE BUSINESS(a)

	New policies issued (excluding annuities) (b)						Premiums(c)			Claims, etc., paid(d)			
Period	Ordinary business		Industrial business		Superannuation business		Ordinary	Indus-trial	Super-annua-tion	Ordinary	Indus-trial	Super-annua-tion	New loans paid over (e)
	Number	Sum insured	Number	Sum insured	Number	Sum insured							
	'000	\$m	000	\$m	'000	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
Monthly average													
1959-60	33.6	115.2	15.8	5.6			17.8	2.6	..	6.8	1.7	..	11.9
1960-61	27.7	98.9	15.1	7.2	(f)7.6	(f)35.3	19.4	2.6	..	8.7	2.2	..	13.9
1961-62	26.5	102.9	13.8	7.8	6.3	39.4	(g)22.1	2.7	..	(g)9.1	2.3	..	9.5
1962-63	26.1	105.6	12.0	8.8	6.7	41.6	17.2	2.7	6.6	7.5	2.1	2.6	10.6
1963-64	28.2	120.1	10.8	9.5	6.3	52.6	19.2	2.8	7.4	8.0	2.0	3.1	13.3
1964-65	28.9	125.9	10.6	9.7	6.8	67.9	20.7	2.8	8.4	9.0	2.1	3.8	14.8
1965-66	29.0	137.6	10.9	10.4	7.8	75.5	22.5	3.0	10.0	10.0	2.4	4.2	15.5
1966-67	32.0	160.4	11.2	11.3	7.9	82.7	25.0	3.2	11.3	11.7	2.1	5.0	13.6
1967-68	33.2	191.7	11.4	12.1	7.3	95.8	28.2	3.1	13.5	13.0	1.7	5.9	16.2
1968-69	36.3	232.3	11.4	13.0	7.7	115.7	32.3	3.4	14.7	14.0	1.8	6.3	18.7
Monthly total													
1966-67—													
May	35.3	178.8	14.8	14.5	7.2	67.7	27.5	3.2	12.4	13.3	1.9	4.6	15.3
June	39.1	199.0	11.3	11.4	9.3	77.1	36.1	4.3	16.2	14.6	1.7	6.5	13.6
1967-68—													
July	34.8	180.8	15.6	16.0	7.4	79.5	28.8	2.6	13.0	14.4	1.7	6.0	14.0
August	33.6	171.8	11.6	12.0	8.4	83.6	26.7	3.0	11.3	13.5	1.8	6.0	17.1
September(b)	39.4	210.6	14.1	14.6	10.5	111.0	26.8	3.5	13.3	12.2	1.7	6.6	15.7
October	33.3	174.4	12.0	12.8	7.3	67.2	26.2	3.3	14.0	13.3	1.8	5.4	15.3
November	33.3	178.2	11.6	12.9	7.3	62.5	25.3	3.2	10.7	13.2	1.8	5.0	16.9
December(b)	35.6	236.6	8.8	10.0	7.4	287.0	27.6	4.1	16.0	12.0	1.4	7.0	18.8
January	19.3	107.7	3.7	3.9	6.3	57.2	22.0	1.1	11.7	8.6	1.1	4.9	10.5
February	25.9	143.6	11.0	11.1	7.2	67.0	25.2	2.9	11.8	13.0	1.7	4.5	16.0
March	34.3	188.3	11.9	13.0	5.5	83.9	29.2	3.6	14.1	12.9	1.9	7.9	15.3
April	29.6	167.3	11.7	12.6	4.5	72.3	25.2	3.0	12.9	12.6	1.8	4.8	15.7
May	37.2	208.2	11.1	12.0	8.6	86.7	32.3	4.0	14.7	14.9	2.1	6.2	21.5
June	41.9	333.4	13.8	14.4	7.5	91.4	42.6	3.0	18.2	15.1	1.8	6.6	17.2
1968-69—													
July	45.5	274.5	13.2	14.4	9.2	92.4	38.6	3.3	15.5	16.1	2.1	6.2	18.7
August	37.3	230.1	10.4	11.9	6.5	115.2	28.4	3.6	12.5	14.1	1.8	5.5	17.5
September(b)	37.5	225.2	15.3	17.0	9.1	142.8	31.4	3.3	13.9	13.8	1.8	7.5	23.7
October	33.3	209.2	9.8	11.2	6.7	79.7	29.5	3.4	14.4	14.5	1.9	5.6	17.3
November	34.6	221.6	11.5	13.5	7.5	91.5	28.6	3.9	13.0	13.7	1.9	5.0	14.4
December(b)	40.7	282.8	8.8	10.5	9.8	337.8	32.3	4.7	16.8	14.0	1.6	7.3	22.3
January	21.0	136.1	3.4	3.9	7.9	53.2	26.4	1.2	13.0	11.0	1.2	5.2	14.6
February	28.3	181.2	10.7	11.9	5.5	75.7	27.1	3.0	11.4	12.5	1.7	6.6	16.7
March	35.0	218.2	14.4	16.6	8.9	80.4	32.5	3.9	14.9	14.0	2.0	7.7	18.0
April	34.1	232.0	10.2	11.6	6.3	86.5	28.9	3.3	14.2	12.7	1.7	5.5	16.1
May	38.5	261.3	12.1	13.9	7.1	113.5	34.6	3.6	18.0	15.1	2.0	6.2	19.8
June	50.4	315.2	16.7	19.4	7.7	119.5	49.6	3.5	19.3	16.7	2.0	7.0	24.9

(a) Excludes business of the Government Insurance Office of New South Wales and the Queensland State Government Insurance Office which operate only in New South Wales and Queensland respectively. Figures compiled from monthly returns. (b) Relates to periods during which policies were recorded in company registers, which may be subsequent to periods in which written. Recordings tend to concentrate more in the last month of a company's year; months mainly affected are September and December. (c) Includes consideration for annuities. (d) Includes claims paid on death or maturity, payments made on surrender of policies, annuities and bonuses paid in cash. (e) Excludes advances of premiums. (f) Figures for earlier periods not available separately; included with ordinary business. (g) Includes superannuation business. Separate details of superannuation business became available from the last six months of 1961-62.

LIFE INSURANCE BUSINESS(a)

SELECTED ASSETS HELD IN AUSTRALIA(b) BY LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES

(\$ million)

At end of—	Fixed assets	Loans(c)				Investments			
		On mortgage		On policies	Other	Govt. securities	Local and Semi-govt. securities	Debentures and notes	Shares
		Housing	Other incl. rural						
June 1960	102.4	267.2	400.4	65.0	48.0	452.2	227.8	156.4	156.0
June 1961	133.4	301.2	432.4	79.8	54.4	457.0	224.2	222.4	209.2
June 1962(d)	159.8	306.6	452.0	87.8	52.2	523.2	242.2	220.8	241.0
June 1963	192.4	317.0	466.6	96.0	45.2	621.6	249.8	240.0	293.0
June 1964	233.0	323.3	500.7	103.9	40.1	689.1	266.4	284.9	351.1
June 1965	284.8	338.5	537.0	113.6	42.8	757.3	268.2	328.0	414.1
March 1966	335.3	353.4	574.0	125.3	40.6	821.1	275.7	346.4	444.3
June 1966	354.2	355.6	586.6	129.5	40.7	845.9	276.2	353.8	453.8
September 1966	371.8	356.3	596.2	132.0	40.6	872.5	277.4	365.1	467.4
December 1966	388.2	363.7	605.4	135.2	39.9	914.9	278.9	374.7	481.5
March 1967	392.9	364.8	609.4	138.4	39.1	958.4	283.5	377.7	492.3
June 1967	404.4	365.8	615.1	142.2	40.8	988.7	287.3	385.0	509.1
September 1967	417.5	366.2	625.5	144.5	40.7	1,027.7	294.9	394.7	524.1
December 1967	431.4	373.8	641.3	148.0	39.8	1,065.1	300.4	397.9	543.0
March 1968	439.4	374.9	649.1	152.4	43.8	1,087.8	310.1	407.9	560.7
June 1968	460.3	378.2	665.3	157.8	48.1	1,110.8	312.5	425.3	576.9
September 1968	475.9	381.5	680.7	162.0	53.6	1,147.6	319.0	438.7	605.3
December 1968	502.8	387.9	693.9	166.7	49.3	1,146.5	350.0	455.5	629.0
March 1969	521.1	391.9	702.0	171.7	55.8	1,157.5	368.4	470.8	672.0
June 1969	546.5	397.9	711.9	179.0	51.1	1,162.6	387.2	483.1	710.7

(a) Excludes details of the Government Insurance Office of New South Wales and the Queensland State Government Insurance Office. Items shown are the balances according to the companies' ledgers as at the date at which the information was supplied without adjustment for any accrued or outstanding interest or other items which had not been brought into account as at that date. (b) Includes Papua and New Guinea. (c) Excludes 'advances of premiums'. (d) Details at the end of March 1962, and subsequent dates are not strictly comparable with information for earlier dates. Details prior to March 1962, include 'other classes of business' while subsequent details relate to life insurance business only.

SHORT TERM MONEY MARKET

SELECTED ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF AUTHORISED DEALERS AND RATES OF INTEREST ON LOANS

(Source: Reserve Bank of Australia)

Month	Liabilities to clients			Selected assets					Interest rates on loans accepted during month				Weighted average interest rate on loans outstanding (b)
	All cheque-paying banks	Other clients	Total	Commonwealth Government securities (face value)			Com-mercial bills (a)	Trading Banks' Certifi-cates of Deposit	At call		For fixed periods		
				Treasury notes	Other	Total			Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	
Average of weekly figures—\$ million									Per cent per annum				
June 1962	55.8	177.1	232.9	..	242.3	242.3	..	..	2.00	4.00	3.00	3.88	3.45
June 1963	58.0	209.1	267.1	53.6	233.3	286.8	..	..	2.00	4.25	3.13	4.25	3.75
June 1964	67.3	253.6	320.8	38.2	303.0	341.2	..	..	1.50	4.50	3.38	4.50	3.71
June 1965	93.7	219.0	312.7	8.4	335.0	343.4	7.6	..	1.50	6.00	2.00	5.53	4.16
June 1966	74.8	275.4	350.2	10.7	362.6	373.3	25.2	..	3.00	6.10	4.25	5.80	4.73
June 1967	88.8	367.6	456.4	13.7	454.1	467.7	32.8	..	2.00	6.50	3.00	5.50	4.46
June 1968	87.7	406.5	494.2	116.2	375.1	491.3	35.7	..	3.00	6.75	3.75	5.40	4.29
1967-68—													
April	73.5	419.6	493.1	174.2	319.2	493.4	25.9	..	2.00	6.50	3.50	5.50	4.24
May	76.3	414.4	490.7	137.5	357.5	494.9	30.2	..	1.00	6.50	3.00	5.50	4.23
June	87.7	406.5	494.2	116.2	375.1	491.3	35.7	..	3.00	6.75	3.75	5.40	4.29
1968-69—													
July	90.2	408.8	499.0	127.6	359.6	487.1	34.0	..	1.00	6.50	3.75	5.50	4.19
August	98.5	421.7	520.2	128.6	385.7	514.3	28.5	..	3.00	6.50	3.50	5.75	4.16
September	109.6	416.1	525.7	148.6	389.9	538.5	29.6	..	0.50	6.50	3.25	5.75	4.07
October	105.4	422.0	527.4	132.2	413.8	546.1	19.9	..	0.50	6.25	2.00	6.00	4.18
November	120.9	424.0	544.9	139.8	400.1	539.9	24.6	..	1.00	7.00	2.50	5.25	3.83
December	120.8	416.7	537.5	132.1	412.2	544.3	23.0	..	1.00	6.25	3.25	6.00	4.18
January	125.0	408.5	533.5	142.0	390.6	532.5	20.2	..	2.00	6.25	3.00	6.00	3.94
February	116.2	436.3	552.5	170.2	387.0	557.2	17.8	..	1.50	7.00	3.00	6.50	4.07
March	117.7	447.7	565.4	181.0	399.1	580.2	17.0	5.4	1.00	7.00	2.50	6.00	4.52
April	98.1	440.3	538.4	138.2	409.2	547.4	19.4	12.5	2.00	7.50	2.75	5.75	4.48
May	99.2	429.5	528.7	76.4	443.7	520.1	24.4	11.7	2.00	6.75	4.00	6.00	4.49
June	94.9	398.7	493.6	46.4	459.2	505.6	28.9	15.0	2.00	7.50	4.00	6.75	4.59
1969-70—													
July	112.2	406.4	518.6	47.4	448.8	496.2	49.7	8.3	2.50	8.00	3.80	6.10	4.58

(a) Since 22 March 1965, authorised dealers have been permitted to hold, in addition to Commonwealth Government securities, a limited proportion of their portfolios in specified bills of exchange. (b) As at last Wednesday.

INTERNATIONAL RESERVES, EXCHANGE RATES, GOLD PRICES, SECURITY YIELDS, PRIVATE FIRST MORTGAGES

Period	Inter- national reserves (a)	Exchange rates(b)			Gold prices(b)		Commonwealth Government securities yield(c)			Private first mortgages registered in New South Wales (f)
		Australia on London (d)	London on New York (d)	Australia on New York (e)	Australia	London	Theo- retical 2 years	Theo- retical 10 years	Theo- retical 20 years	
	\$m	\$A per £stg	\$US per £stg	\$US per \$A	\$A per fine oz.	£stg per fine oz.	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent (g)
1962-63	1,224.9	2.505	2.802	1.115	31.25	12.526	4.21	4.66	4.90	8.9
1963-64	1,672.1	2.505	2.798	1.114	31.25	12.534	3.92	4.36	4.57	8.7
1964-65	1,354.3	2.505	2.790	1.110	31.25	12.583	4.66	4.88	5.09	8.7
1965-66	1,375.0	2.505	2.786	1.113	31.25	12.561	4.98	5.15	5.25	8.8
1966-67	1,198.3	2.505	2.793	1.111	31.25	12.598	4.68	5.08	5.25	9.1
1967-68	1,092.4	2.290	2.553	1.112	31.25	(h) 36.38	4.72	5.07	5.25	9.2
1968-69	1,310.4	2.147	2.389	1.109	31.25	41.22	4.81	5.04	5.16	9.2
1966-67— June	1,198.3	2.505	2.791	1.111	31.25	12.604	4.52	5.03	5.25	(i) 8.9
1967-68— July	1,156.8	2.505	2.787	1.109	31.25	12.623	4.53	5.02	5.25	9.0
August	1,151.3	2.505	2.785	1.108	31.25	12.633	4.53	5.01	5.25	9.1
September	1,143.3	2.505	2.784	1.108	31.25	12.639	4.51	5.01	5.25	9.3
October	1,170.4	2.505	2.783	1.108	31.25	12.645	4.51	5.03	5.25	9.2
November	(j) 1,145.6	2.380	2.645	1.113	31.25	13.369	4.75	5.02	5.25	9.2
December	1,092.3	2.147	2.407	1.118	31.25	14.622	4.71	5.10	5.25	9.1
January	1,131.3	2.147	2.409	1.118	31.25	14.602	4.80	5.11	5.25	9.1
February	1,102.2	2.147	2.409	1.119	31.25	14.605	4.84	5.11	5.25	9.1
March	1,117.1	2.147	2.400	1.114	31.25	14.680	4.86	5.10	5.25	9.2
April	1,095.8	2.147	2.402	1.115	31.25	(h) 37.86	4.87	5.12	5.25	9.3
May	1,142.5	2.147	2.389	1.109	31.25	40.70	4.85	5.11	5.25	9.2
June	1,092.4	2.147	2.385	1.107	31.25	41.14	4.84	5.11	5.25	9.2
1968-69— July	1,079.3	2.147	2.390	1.109	31.25	39.47	4.84	5.11	5.25	9.2
August	1,060.3	2.147	2.391	1.110	31.25	39.19	4.83	5.11	5.25	9.2
September	1,036.5	2.147	2.388	1.108	31.25	40.19	4.83	5.12	5.25	9.1
October	1,091.0	2.147	2.390	1.110	31.25	39.21	4.82	5.13	5.25	9.1
November	1,174.0	2.147	2.387	1.109	31.25	39.78	4.72	4.89	5.02	9.2
December	1,143.5	2.147	2.384	1.107	31.25	41.14	4.68	4.91	5.03	9.3
January	1,200.4	2.147	2.387	1.108	31.25	42.30	4.70	4.92	5.04	9.3
February	1,293.8	2.147	2.392	1.110	31.25	42.60	4.75	4.92	5.04	9.2
March	1,289.9	2.147	2.392	1.110	31.25	43.16	4.78	4.93	5.04	9.3
April	1,337.9	2.147	2.392	1.111	31.25	43.26	4.90	4.96	5.07	9.2
May	1,371.0	2.147	2.387	1.108	31.25	43.46	4.91	5.10	5.14	9.3
June	1,310.4	2.147	2.390	1.109	31.25	41.44	5.01	5.35	5.48	9.3
1969-70— July	1,252.7	2.147	2.391	1.110	31.25	41.76	5.05	5.53	5.56	9.3
August	1,185.5	2.147	2.385	1.107	31.25	41.10	5.07	5.55	5.63	9.2

(a) Source: Reserve Bank. Net gold and foreign exchange holdings (official and banking institutions). See page 41, Reserve Bank of Australia statistical bulletin, financial supplement, September 1963, for a description of this series. Annual and December figures as at end of period, other figures last Wednesday of month. (b) Average of daily quotations based on daily returns from Reuters Economic Services. (c) Source: Reserve Bank. Yields are to last date of redemption. Income tax rebate of 10c in the dollar has not been taken into account. Excludes the effect of brokerage. Figures relate to last Wednesday in month. (d) Average of buying and selling rates for telegraphic transfers. (e) Selling rate. Direct quotation. (f) Includes all mortgages for corporations (other than banks and building societies) and individuals except abnormal amounts of \$2m or more in months in which large mortgages are few in number. (g) Weighted average twelve months. (h) From 1 April 1968 quoted in \$US. (i) Three monthly moving average ended month shown. (j) Reserves fell by \$24.8 million between the last Wednesdays in October and November. This fall includes a loss of approximately \$113 million resulting from the devaluation of United Kingdom and New Zealand currencies.

INTEREST RATES

(Per cent per annum)

Date of change in rate	Trading banks—										Savings bank deposits (predominant rate) (d)	Commonwealth loans (long-term)
	Fixed deposits—								Overdrafts (maximum rate)—major trading banks			
	30 days but less than 3 months(a)	3 months but less than 12 months	12 months but less than 18 months(b)	18 months	Over 18 months to 24 months(c)							
1964—												
8 April	3.75	3.75	4.00	..	..	6.50	3.00	4.500				
27 April	3.75	3.75	4.00	..	..	7.00	3.00	4.500				
14 May	3.75	3.75	4.00	..	..	7.00	3.00	4.625				
1 June	3.75	3.75	4.00	..	..	7.00	3.25	4.625				
13 August	3.75	3.75	4.00	..	..	7.00	3.25	5.000				
29 September	3.75	3.75	4.00	4.00	4.25	7.00	3.25	5.000				
1965—												
10 March	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.50	4.50	7.25	3.25	5.000				
1 April	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.50	4.50	7.25	3.50	5.000				
13 April	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.50	4.50	7.25	3.50	5.250				
1966—												
17 August	4.00	4.00	4.25	4.25	4.50	7.25	3.50	5.250				
1968—												
27 June	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.75	4.75	7.25	3.50	5.250				
1 August	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.75	4.75	7.25	3.75	5.250				
14 October	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.75	4.75	7.50	3.75	5.250				
7 November	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.75	4.75	7.50	3.75	5.400				
1969—												
10 July	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.75	4.75	7.50	3.75	6.000				
		3 months but less than 6 months	6 months but less than 12 months	12 months but less than 18 months	18 months to 24 months							
		(e) (f)	(e) (f)	(e) (f)	(e) (f)							
1 August	4.70	4.80 4.50	4.90 4.50	5.00 4.70	5.00 5.00	7.75	3.75	6.000				

(a) Prior to 8 April 1964, banks were not permitted to accept fixed deposits for periods less than 3 months. From 8 April 1964, banks were permitted to accept fixed deposits in excess of \$100,000 for periods of 30 days but less than 3 months at rates not exceeding the maximum rates shown. (b) From 17 November 1960, to 9 September 1962, banks did not accept fixed deposits for periods longer than 12 months.

From 10 September 1962, to 28 September 1964, banks were permitted to accept fixed deposits for periods up to 15 months. From 29 September 1964, banks were permitted to accept fixed deposits for periods from 12 to 18 months. (c) From 29 September 1964, banks were permitted to accept fixed deposits for periods over 18 months to 24 months.

(d) The trustee savings banks and two State savings banks offer slightly higher rates. (e) On deposits of \$100,000 and over. (f) On deposits of less than \$100,000.

COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT SHORT-TERM DEBT AND BANK BALANCES

(\$ million)

Date	Treasury bills	Treasury notes	Bank balances	Total	Date	Treasury bills	Treasury notes	Bank balances	Total
30 June—					1967—68—				
1960	402.0	..	27.3	374.7	31 March	164.0	631.3	(a)56.7	852.0
1961	372.0	..	28.8	343.2	30 April	55.0	385.6	(a)71.8	512.4
1962	416.0	..	18.8	397.2	31 May	47.0	299.2	(a)73.7	420.0
1963	246.0	138.8	19.9	365.1	30 June	141.0	273.7	25.6	389.2
1964	178.0	152.6	20.9	309.7	1968—69—				
1965	116.0	80.4	24.5	172.0	31 July	182.0	253.7	(a)45.8	481.5
1966	80.0	116.1	24.8	171.3	31 August	266.0	277.7	(a)93.6	637.3
1967	90.0	90.2	25.7	154.5	30 September	283.0	343.7	(a)114.0	740.7
1968	141.0	273.7	25.6	389.2	31 October	441.0	345.5	(a)77.5	864.0
1969	14.0	205.4	25.4	194.0	30 November	589.0	354.2	(a)84.6	1,027.8
1966—67—					31 December	664.0	390.0	(a)98.1	1,152.1
30 June	90.0	90.2	25.7	154.5	31 January	527.0	552.4	(a)48.5	1,127.9
1967—68—					28 February	301.0	573.4	(a)82.2	956.6
31 July	62.0	90.0	(a)83.5	235.5	31 March	222.0	526.9	(a)86.3	835.1
31 August	222.0	101.4	(a)85.9	409.3	30 April	83.0	350.4	(a)81.7	515.1
30 September	300.0	181.3	(a)66.5	547.8	31 May	8.0	254.7	(a)63.4	326.0
31 October	307.0	253.3	(a)68.0	628.3	30 June	14.0	205.4	25.4	194.0
30 November	344.0	376.6	(a)42.8	763.4	1969—70—				
31 December	347.0	439.7	(a)62.4	849.1	31 July	21.0	271.2	(a)118.5	410.7
31 January	136.0	668.4	(a)73.2	877.7	31 August	201.0	279.8	(a)109.5	590.3
29 February	131.0	701.0	(a)83.4	915.4					

(a) Overdraft.

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE FINANCE(a)

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUNDS

(£ million)

Period	New South Wales(a)	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Six States	Commonwealth	Grand total(b)
Revenue									
1963-64	684.5	444.4	260.9	203.0	167.9	68.4	1,829.1	3,809.4	4,885.1
1964-65	729.1	480.7	267.1	214.2	180.1	75.8	1,947.1	4,418.2	5,587.2
1965-66	771.6	508.6	294.5	228.8	206.7	84.9	2,095.1	4,879.2	6,080.2
1966-67	830.7	559.6	323.8	250.8	228.1	93.8	2,286.9	5,227.7	6,545.5
1967-68	888.1	601.3	357.2	264.5	250.7	101.5	2,463.4	5,760.5	7,174.2
1968-69 (Estimated)	953.2	650.7	377.0	284.3	272.2	105.2	2,642.9	5,974.2	7,489.8
1967-68—									
July	66.1	39.4	24.7	18.8	18.4	6.5	174.0	316.5	406.6
July-August	138.2	86.4	52.5	40.4	37.2	12.8	367.5	635.0	834.8
July-June	888.1	601.3	357.2	264.5	250.7	101.5	2,463.4	5,760.5	7,174.2
1968-69—									
July	74.3	44.3	27.3	20.3	21.7	7.1	195.0	318.9	418.9
July-August	150.2	48.4	57.2	42.7	42.6	13.8	355.0	623.1	789.6
July-June	970.3	664.2	387.9	287.4	275.1	107.8	2,592.7	6,085.8	7,551.1
1969-70—									
July	82.4	50.3	31.5	23.6	24.6	7.6	219.7	369.1	485.3
July-August	170.5	52.2	64.3	48.9	48.6	14.8	399.2	741.6	933.8

Expenditure

1963-64	684.0	444.9	260.5	199.8	170.7	69.6	1,829.3	3,809.4	4,885.4
1964-65	734.2	480.7	271.2	216.8	184.8	77.4	1,965.1	4,418.2	5,605.2
1965-66	776.3	516.7	298.0	235.7	206.7	86.9	2,120.3	4,879.2	6,105.4
1966-67	833.8	559.6	323.5	250.7	228.2	94.4	2,290.3	5,227.7	6,548.8
1967-68	887.6	604.1	356.2	267.4	249.9	103.3	2,468.6	5,760.5	7,179.5
1968-69 (Estimated)	957.6	650.7	377.0	284.3	272.2	109.0	2,650.8	5,974.2	7,497.7
1967-68—									
July	53.2	43.8	24.8	18.7	16.6	7.4	164.5	418.4	499.0
July-August	131.4	96.3	52.7	43.2	39.1	16.7	379.5	907.7	1,119.4
July-June	887.6	604.1	356.2	267.4	249.9	103.3	2,468.6	5,760.5	7,179.5
1968-69—									
July	70.8	50.4	30.3	23.9	20.6	10.1	206.0	448.0	559.0
July-August	151.2	54.2	58.1	49.1	44.5	19.6	376.7	928.3	1,116.5
July-June	974.0	666.6	388.8	286.9	276.1	111.5	2,703.9	6,085.8	7,662.4
1969-70—									
July	71.9	53.3	34.1	25.3	23.3	10.3	218.2	537.6	652.3
July-August	162.0	66.8	67.8	53.2	48.2	21.4	419.4	1,103.5	1,315.9

(a) Figures for N.S.W. represent combined transactions of consolidated revenue fund and business undertakings—railways, tramways, omnibuses and Sydney Harbour Trust section of Maritime Services Board—included in annual Budget Papers. Adjustments have been made to exclude duplications. (b) To avoid duplication in aggregating particulars for the Commonwealth and States, the grand totals have been adjusted to exclude State payment to the Commonwealth in respect of pay-roll tax and Commonwealth payments to the States included in State consolidated revenue funds in respect of States grants (financial assistance), the interest on State debts, special grants, special financial assistance, grants to universities, tuberculosis capital expenditure and national welfare fund payments. There are other relatively minor payments for which adjustments have not been made and the adjusted figures are therefore still slightly overstated.